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Session 1: Word List

celebrate

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym: praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas
He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed
Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

symbolize

v. to represent or stand for something else, particularly an abstract concept or idea; to be an emblem or sign of something

synonym: represent, signify, emblemize

(1) **symbolize** hope, (2) **symbolize** freedom

In many cultures, the color white **symbolizes** purity and innocence.

erase

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

synonym: wipe out, delete, obliterate

(1) **erase** a memory, (2) **erased** the files

He attempted to **erase** the misspelled word.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

lovingly

adv. in a manner showing deep affection or care; with fondness and warmth; in a way that expresses or suggests love

synonym: fondly, affectionately

(1) **lovingly** crafted, (2) **lovingly** prepared

She looked at him **lovingly** and knew he was the one for her.

generate

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

synonym: create, yield, produce

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

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

appreciate

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

synonym: acknowledge, admire, enjoy

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

We would **appreciate** an early reply.

uncover

v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

synonym: disclose, reveal, unveil

(1) **uncover** a potential problem, (2) **uncover** the truth

He continued his investigation and soon **uncovered** another crime.

puzzle

n. a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand

synonym : plight, maze, (verb) perplex

(1) crossword **puzzle**, (2) mathematical **puzzle**

This jigsaw **puzzle** is challenging because there are no pictures.

shock

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

synonym : amazement, surprise, stunner

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

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

infuriate

v. to make extremely angry, incite to rage, provoke intense anger or exasperation

synonym : enrage, ire, provoke

(1) **infuriate** customers, (2) **infuriate** employees

His rude behavior **infuriated** many people at the party.

unique

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

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

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

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

contribution

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

synonym : donation, gift, offering

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

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

intentional

adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent

synonym: deliberate, intended, preplanned

(1) **intentional** destruction of evidence, (2) an **intentional** walk

The law distinguishes between accidental and **intentional** killing.

fig

n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

(1) **fig** marigold, (2) **fig** tree

He ate the dried **figs** he had preserved.

mathematics

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

synonym: arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

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.

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**.

brilliant

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

synonym: luminous, intelligent, clever

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

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

brain

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

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

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

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

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym: knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

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.

lineage

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

synonym: ancestry, descent, heritage

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

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

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**.

perspective

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

synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle
His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

intentionally

adv. in a planned or intended way

synonym: knowingly, calculatedly, deliberately

(1) she hit him **intentionally**, (2) She **intentionally** spread misleading information.

She would never **intentionally** hurt anyone.

margin

n. the space around the edge of a page or document;
(finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

synonym: edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

oppress

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

synonym: antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force
Historically, many countries have often **oppressed** certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.

unconscious

adj. in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

synonym: comatose, paralyzed, senseless

(1) **unconscious** bias, (2) a person who is **unconscious**

I know his **unconscious** habit that he touches his face when he lies.

reckon

v. to think or believe something
synonym: regard, imagine, suppose

(1) hard to **reckon**, (2) **reckon** the company as a rival
He **reckons** that corruption was rampant in the regime.

parallel

adj. being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

synonym: aligned, side-by-side, similar

(1) a **parallel** case, (2) **parallel** processing
He walked a road **parallel** to the railroad.

moth

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

(1) **moth** larva, (2) **moth** attracted to the light
The **moth** is a serious threat to the farm's output.

specifically

adv. only associated with or meant for one thing
synonym: especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically** American customers
This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

indicator

n. something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing

synonym: barometer, signal, index

(1) **indicator** lamp, (2) performance **indicators**
Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor **indicator** of whether a business can be successfully run.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

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

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

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.

importance

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

synonym: significance, primacy, matter

(1) a man of **importance**, (2) high **importance**

I stopped by the branch though I have no business of **importance**.

dire

adj. extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous

synonym: serious, critical, desperate

(1) suffer **dire** poverty, (2) **dire** situation

The **dire** economic straits called for immediate action.

unappreciated

adj. not adequately valued or acknowledged

synonym: unvalued, undervalued, unrecognized

(1) an **unappreciated** genius, (2) **unappreciated** effort

She felt **unappreciated** for all the hard work she had put in.

unseen

adj. not seen or noticed; not perceived

synonym: invisible, hidden, undercover

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

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

crisis

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

synonym : concern, problem, emergency

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

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

mere

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

synonym : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident

He lost the election by **mere** votes.

upset

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

synonym : disturbed, bothered, resentful

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

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

embarrass

v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

synonym : disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

lifetime

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

synonym : lifespan, duration

(1) **lifetime** benefits, (2) **lifetime** ban from the sport

She had lived through two world wars in her **lifetime**.

usher

n. a person who shows people to their seats in a theater or church or who guides them through a building

synonym : guide, escort, conductor

(1) act as **usher**, (2) **usher** theater

The uniformed **usher** showed the guests to their seats.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

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

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life

Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

devalue

v. to reduce the value or worth of something

synonym: diminish, depreciate, reduce

(1) **devalue** the pound, (2) **devalue** a brand

Her negative comments about the project only **devalued** the team's efforts.

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.

maternal

adj. relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child

synonym: motherly, maternalistic, maternal-like

(1) on the **maternal** side, (2) **maternal** care

She had a very **maternal** instinct towards her newborn baby.

exacerbate

v. to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse

synonym: worsen, aggravate, escalate

(1) **exacerbate** the situation, (2) **exacerbate** symptoms

The heat wave **exacerbated** the drought conditions.

alarming

adj. causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing

synonym : forbidding, concerning, disturbing

(1) **alarming** news, (2) **alarming** statistics

The sudden rise in crime rates in our neighborhood is quite **alarming**.

pandemic

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

synonym : outbreak

(1) flu **pandemic**, (2) global **pandemic**

They fear a **pandemic** of a new type of virus.

affordable

adj. not expensive and able to pay

synonym : cheap, reasonable, inexpensive

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

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

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

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

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

preschool

adj. relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

synonym : nursery, kindergarten, daycare

(1) **preschool** education, (2) during **preschool** years

My old school's **preschool** program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.

ripple

n. a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

synonym : wave, undulation, fluctuation

(1) a **ripple** of laughter, (2) **ripple** in the water

Many businesses felt the **ripple** effect of the economy's decline.

narrative

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

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

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

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

involve

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

synonym: implicate, include, engage

(1) **involve** a lot of paperwork, (2) **involve** a high degree of risk

The investigation **involves** several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

definitely

adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

synonym: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

tropical

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

synonym: equatorial, tropic

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

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

matriarch

n. a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group

synonym: leader, head, founder

(1) ruled by a **matriarch**, (2) **matriarch** figure

The **matriarch** of the family was known for her wisdom and guidance.

welfare

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

synonym: well-being, benefit, health

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

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

intention

n. something you want to do and are going to do

synonym: purpose, connotation, will

(1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**

Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

necessarily

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

synonym: inevitable, certainly, automatically

(1) not **necessarily** a problem, (2) **necessarily** true

This accident was something that happened **necessarily**.

compensate

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

synonym: reimburse, pay, recompense

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

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

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.

separate

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

synonym: disunite, isolate, ramify

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

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the

part of his competence when making an investment decision.

mass

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

synonym: abundance, crowd, mob

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

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

incarceration

n. the state of being confined in prison or jail

synonym: confinement, imprisonment, detention

(1) mass **incarceration**, (2) **incarceration** rates

The judge sentenced him to five years of **incarceration** for embezzlement.

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

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

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

violent

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

synonym: aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

promiscuous

adj. having casual sexual relations frequently with different partners; indiscriminate in the choice of sexual partners; not selective of a single class or person

synonym: indiscriminate, loose, promiscuous

(1) **promiscuous** bathing, (2) **promiscuous** lifestyle

He was known for his **promiscuous** behavior.

ugly

adj. unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
synonym : unattractive, unsightly, repulsive

(1) an **ugly** sound, (2) **ugly** building

The **ugly** truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

burden

n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

synonym : obligation, duty, load

(1) carry a **burden**, (2) **burden** of disease

That car has a low environmental **burden**.

policy

n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

synonym : strategy, plan, guideline

(1) health **policy**, (2) foreign **policy**

The company's new **policy** on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

resistance

n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

synonym : opposition, antagonism, defiance

(1) **resistance** movement, (2) **resistance** to insulin

The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much **resistance** from the public.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to

see

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym : achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations

Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

humanize

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

synonym : civilize, personalize

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

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

possibility

n. a chance that something may happen or be true

synonym : chance, prospect, likelihood

(1) **possibility** for growth, (2) **possibility** of a major earthquake

The **possibility** of getting the disease will drastically increase.

misrepresent

v. to present a false or misleading interpretation or impression of something or someone

synonym : distort, misinterpret, falsify

(1) **misrepresent** a company's policies, (2) **misrepresent** the situation

The article **misrepresents** the true intentions of the author's argument.

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym : blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number
The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

attend

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place
synonym: go, be present, accompany

(1) **attend** a meeting, (2) **attend** service
We must **attend** to this matter.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**
Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

kudos

n. praise, honor, or recognition for an achievement or accomplishment
synonym: acclaim, praise, congratulations

(1) gain **kudos**, (2) **kudos** to the team
She received **kudos** from her boss for her exceptional work on the project.

educate

v. to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
synonym: instruct, teach, train

(1) **educate** student, (2) **educate** public
The school's mission is to **educate** young children and prepare them for the future.

individually

adv. separately or apart from others
synonym: separately, one by one, independently

(1) answer questions **individually**, (2) **individually** designed product
Each department has done its product costing **individually**.

government

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

administration, regime, state

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

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

conclude

v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning

synonym: complete, finish, decide

(1) **conclude** a meeting, (2) **conclude** that he is healthy

We **concluded** a cease-fire.

chapter

n. a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled

synonym: section, phase, episode

(1) an introductory **chapter**, (2) **chapter** of a political party

The final **chapter** provides a summary of the discussion.

entirely

adv. completely

synonym: completely, fully, totally

(1) **entirely** satisfied with the meal, (2) he was **entirely** to blame

Later, his claim was found to be **entirely** false.

interpersonal

adj. connected with relationships between people

synonym: social

(1) communication and **interpersonal** skills,

(2) **interpersonal** situations

Interpersonal rejection and acceptance are both psychologically significant events.

snippet

n. a small piece or brief extract of something

synonym: fragment, excerpt, brief

(1) **snippet** of wisdom, (2) code **snippet**

The journalist saved a **snippet** of the interview for later reference.

selfless

adj. concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic

synonym : unselfish, altruistic, generous

(1) **selfless** act, (2) **selfless** devotion

Her **selfless** dedication to the community earned her a prestigious award.

sacrifice

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

synonym : forfeit, immolation, gift

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

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

represent

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

synonym : depict, express, describe

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

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

emotion

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

synonym : feeling, sentiment, passion

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

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

caretaker

n. a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away

synonym : custodian, caregiver

(1) welfare **caretaker**, (2) the role of **caretaker**
He acted as a **caretaker** until a new president was elected.

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.

sustainable

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

synonym: continuable, enduring, tolerable

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

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

reiterate

v. to repeat something, typically for emphasis or clarity; to say or do something again and again

synonym: repeat, iterate, restate

(1) **reiterate** a point, (2) **reiterate** their commitment

I need to **reiterate** the importance of submitting your report by the deadline.

achieve

v. to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

synonym: accomplish, attain, reach

(1) **achieve** success, (2) **achieve** milestones

I will work hard to **achieve** my goals and realize my dreams.

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.

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.

vigilant

adj. keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties

synonym : watchful, attentive, alert

(1) **vigilant** watch, (2) **vigilant** about hand-washing

The guards had to remain **vigilant** to ensure the safety of the high-security facility.

grieve

v. to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died

synonym : mourn, lament, sorrow

(1) **grieve** for loss, (2) **grieve** at the sad news

She **grieved** the loss of her parents.

healing

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

synonym : recovery, recuperation, convalescence

(1) natural **healing** ability, (2) part of the **healing** process

Each ancient tribe has its **healing** traditions.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

synonym : decode, decipher, analyze

(1) **interpret** a graph, (2) **interpret** the question

Different people might **interpret** this news differently.

educator

n. a person who teaches or educates people

synonym : teacher, instructor, lecturer

(1) business **educator**, (2) duty as an **educator**
She is an **educator** with progressive ideas.

bachelor

n. an unmarried man; a person who holds an undergraduate degree from a college or university
synonym: unmarried man, single

(1) **bachelor** degree, (2) **bachelor** party
He decided to enjoy his freedom as a **bachelor** before settling down.

certificate

n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true
synonym: diploma, credential, certification

(1) official score **certificate**, (2) a birth **certificate**
He received a **certificate** in computer programming from the local college.

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.

victim

n. a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
synonym: prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation
The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

abusive

adj. involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else

synonym : cruel, oppressive, hurtful

(1) **abusive** behavior, (2) **abusive** parent

The teacher's **abusive** language towards the students was unacceptable.

stepfather

n. a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father

synonym : stepdad, father figure, dad-in-law

(1) supportive **stepfather**, (2) **stepfather** role

I didn't get along with my **stepfather** when I was young, but now we're like best friends.

intervention

n. the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

synonym : interference, intercession, treatment

(1) **intervention** by foreign powers, (2) surgical

intervention

This **intervention** does not require the patient's consent.

harass

v. to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

synonym : pester, annoy, bother

(1) **harass** the enemy, (2) **harass** with constant criticism

She was constantly **harassed** by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.

alley

n. a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets

synonym : lane, passage, pathway

(1) back **alley**, (2) **alley** cat

They played basketball in the **alley** behind their house.

abuse

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

synonym : misuse, misconduct, vilification

(1) the problem of drug **abuse**, (2) victim of sexual **abuse**
Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for **abuse** of authority.

trauma

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

synonym: agony, injury, ordeal

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

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

institutionalize

v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)

synonym: formalize, establish, regularize

(1) **institutionalize** a system, (2) **institutionalize** customary laws

The new policy aims to **institutionalize** the use of renewable energy sources.

radical

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

synonym: extreme, revolutionary

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

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

supremacy

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

synonym: dominance, superiority, preeminence

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

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

physician

n. a medical doctor who practices medicine

synonym: doctor, practitioner, medic

(1) the advice of the **physician**, (2) consult with a **physician**

She visited the local **physician** to seek treatment for her persistent headache.

evaluate

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

synonym: assess, estimate, consider

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

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.

dementia

n. a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury

synonym: cognitive decline, memory loss, Alzheimer's disease

(1) **dementia** patients, (2) probably have **dementia**
The study found that regular exercise can help to prevent the onset of **dementia** in older age.

quotation

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

synonym: excerpt, passage, quote

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

discriminate

v. to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

synonym: show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,
(2) **discriminate** between different things
You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

immigrant

n. a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

synonym: settler, expatriate, emigrant

(1) **immigrant** communities, (2) an **immigrant** from the country

Police received a report of illegal **immigrants** in the area.

bias

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

synonym: inclination, partiality, predilection

(1) **bias** against a big company, (2) have a **bias** toward socialism

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

misunderstand

v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way

synonym: misinterpret, misperceive, misapprehend

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

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

endless

adj. having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

synonym: infinite, ceaseless, boundless

(1) **endless** possibilities, (2) **endless** hours

He looked out the window at the **endless** stream of people.

tangible

adj. real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value

synonym : palpable, real, actual

(1) **tangible** assets, (2) produce **tangible** results

A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes **tangible**.

progression

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

synonym : advancement, development, evolution

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

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

optimist

n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

synonym : positive thinker, dreamer, idealist

(1) **optimist** by nature, (2) excessive **optimist**

She is a confident **optimist** who always looks on the bright side.

optimism

n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

synonym : positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

envision

v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

synonym : anticipate, foresee, picture

(1) **envision** the future, (2) **envision** the project's success

We cannot **envision** her as President.

ancient

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

synonym : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories
They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something;
to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing
and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other
material

synonym : pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop
out.

disrespect

n. an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone
or something

synonym : impoliteness, rudeness, insult

(1) mean no **disrespect**, (2) **disrespect** for a customer

His **disrespectful** behavior towards his elders earned him a
stern warning from his parents.

representation

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of
someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons
made in appealing or protesting

synonym : delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have
legal **representation**.

provoke

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a
particular effect

synonym : stimulate, incite, encourage

(1) **provoke** a disease, (2) **provoke** a reaction

Her behavior **provoked** a quarrel between the couple.

Session 2: Spelling

1. child we_____e
n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
2. an u__y sound
adj. unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
3. mean no dis_____ct
n. an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
4. em_____ss my project
v. to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
5. gain ku__s
n. praise, honor, or recognition for an achievement or accomplishment
6. op_____s the minority
v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
7. global pa_____ic
n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
8. un_____r the truth
v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
9. victim of a vi_____t crime
adj. involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
10. bu___n of disease
n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

ANSWERS: 1. welfare, 2. ugly, 3. disrespect, 4. embarrass, 5. kudos, 6. oppress, 7. pandemic, 8. uncover, 9. violent, 10. burden

11. 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
12. excessive op____st *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
13. business ed____or *n.* a person who teaches or educates people
14. ba____or degree *n.* an unmarried man; a person who holds an undergraduate degree from a college or university
15. the role of ca____er *n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
16. m__h larva *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
17. ind____lly designed product *adv.* separately or apart from others
18. back al__y *n.* a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets
19. ev____te a situation *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

ANSWERS: 11. launch, 12. optimist, 13. educator, 14. bachelor, 15. caretaker, 16. moth, 17. individually, 18. alley, 19. evaluate

20. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
21. us__r theater *n.* a person who shows people to their seats in a theater or church or who guides them through a building
22. a profit ma____n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
23. op_____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
24. vi_____t incident *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
25. mu____r in the second degree *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
26. double qu_____on marks *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
27. com_____te for a car accident *v.* to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value
28. notable in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
29. ac_____e success *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

ANSWERS: 20. mathematics, 21. usher, 22. margin, 23. oppress, 24. violent, 25. murder, 26. quotation, 27. compensate, 28. instance, 29. achieve

30. exa_____te symptoms *v.* to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
31. pr_____e a reaction *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
32. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
33. ed_____e public *v.* to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
34. small sa_____ce for a great cause *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
35. surgical int_____ion *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
36. ac_____e milestones *v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do
37. en_____ly satisfied with the meal *adv.* completely
38. performance in_____ors *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
39. me_____n in a report *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
40. gr_____e for loss *v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died

ANSWERS: 30. exacerbate, 31. provoke, 32. essential, 33. educate, 34. sacrifice, 35. intervention, 36. achieve, 37. entirely, 38. indicator, 39. mention, 40. grieve

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| 41. at___d a meeting | v. | to be present at an event, to go to a place |
| 42. de___e on a course of action | v. | to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |
| 43. def_____ly become a problem | adv. | without any question and beyond doubt; clearly |
| 44. ins_____ize a system | v. | to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.) |
| 45. int_____nal situations | adj. | connected with relationships between people |
| 46. a ri___e of laughter | n. | a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind |
| 47. designed spe_____lly for men | adv. | only associated with or meant for one thing |
| 48. me___n name | v. | to speak or write about something or someone briefly |
| 49. clear in_____on | n. | something you want to do and are going to do |
| 50. principles of sus_____le development | adj. | able to continue or be continued for a long time |
| 51. sy_____ze hope | v. | to represent or stand for something else, particularly an abstract concept or idea; to be an emblem or sign of something |
| 52. supportive ste_____er | n. | a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father |

ANSWERS: 41. attend, 42. decide, 43. definitely, 44. institutionalize, 45. interpersonal, 46. ripple, 47. specifically, 48. mention, 49. intention, 50. sustainable, 51. symbolize, 52. stepfather

53. ge____te \$100 a month *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
54. de____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
55. communication and int_____nal skills *adj.* connected with relationships between people
56. un____n danger *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
57. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
58. en____s possibilities *adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
59. b__s against a big company *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
60. ed____ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
61. say def____ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
62. de____ia patients *n.* a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury
63. con_____ion to society *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

ANSWERS: 53. generate, 54. decision, 55. interpersonal, 56. unseen, 57. mass, 58. endless, 59. bias, 60. educated, 61. definitely, 62. dementia, 63. contribution

64. pre-Christian an_____t *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
65. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
66. an introductory ch_____r *n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
67. a un____e teacher *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
68. aff_____le solution *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
69. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
70. a birth cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
71. cr____s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
72. ed_____ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
73. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
74. a we_____e state *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
75. pos_____ty for growth *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true

ANSWERS: 64. ancient, 65. perspective, 66. chapter, 67. unique, 68. affordable, 69. elect, 70. certificate, 71. crisis, 72. educated, 73. deserve, 74. welfare, 75. possibility

85. maternal li____e *n.* the ancestry of a person, group, or species
86. major paradigm sh__t *n.* a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
87. his conclusion was ob____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
88. de____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
89. get up__t *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
90. for spe____lly American customers *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
91. basic br__n function *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
92. a ra____l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
93. ab____e behavior *adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else
94. ac____te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details
95. a prodigious vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

ANSWERS: 85. lineage, 86. shift, 87. obvious, 88. deserve, 89. upset, 90. specifically, 91. brain, 92. radical, 93. abusive, 94. accurate, 95. vision

96. pos_____ty of a major earthquake *n.* a chance that something may happen or be true
97. se_____te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
98. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
99. a do_____ic animal *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
100. pro_____us lifestyle *adj.* having casual sexual relations frequently with different partners; indiscriminate in the choice of sexual partners; not selective of a single class or person
101. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
102. personal na_____ve *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
103. financial cr_____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
104. ha_____s with constant criticism *v.* to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention
105. su_____cy of a country *n.* the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status

ANSWERS: 96. possibility, 97. separate, 98. involve, 99. domestic, 100. promiscuous, 101. celebrate, 102. narrative, 103. crisis, 104. harass, 105. supremacy

106. co_____al swimming pool	<i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
107. re_____on between cause and effect	<i>n.</i> the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
108. hu_____ze a room	<i>v.</i> to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
109. sus_____le alternative fuel	<i>adj.</i> able to continue or be continued for a long time
110. mass inc_____ion	<i>n.</i> the state of being confined in prison or jail
111. un_____al life	<i>adj.</i> existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
112. the problem of drug ab__e	<i>n.</i> the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
113. li_____e tree	<i>n.</i> the ancestry of a person, group, or species
114. in_____et the question	<i>v.</i> to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
115. li_____me ban from the sport	<i>n.</i> the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
116. the characters that re_____nt numbers	<i>v.</i> to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
117. part of the he_____g process	<i>n.</i> the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again
118. ba_____or party	<i>n.</i> an unmarried man; a person who holds an undergraduate degree from a college or university

ANSWERS: 106. communal, 107. relation, 108. humanize, 109. sustainable, 110. incarceration, 111. universal, 112. abuse, 113. lineage, 114. interpret, 115. lifetime, 116. represent, 117. healing, 118. bachelor

119. re_____te their commitment *v.* to repeat something, typically for emphasis or clarity; to say or do something again and again
120. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
121. She int_____lly spread misleading information. *adv.* in a planned or intended way
122. pro_____us bathing *adj.* having casual sexual relations frequently with different partners; indiscriminate in the choice of sexual partners; not selective of a single class or person
123. high imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
124. attempted mu____r *n.* the crime of killing somebody intentionally
125. probably have de_____ia *n.* a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury
126. victim of sexual ab__e *n.* the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner
127. pr_____e a disease *v.* to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect
128. un____e design *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
129. f_g marigold *n.* a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
130. re_____on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

ANSWERS: 119. reiterate, 120. strategy, 121. intentionally, 122. promiscuous, 123. importance, 124. murder, 125. dementia, 126. abuse, 127. provoke, 128. unique, 129. fig, 130. relation

131. mis_____ent a company's policies *v.* to present a false or misleading interpretation or impression of something or someone
132. st__k a key in a lock *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
133. gr___e at the sad news *v.* to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died
134. produce ta_____le results *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
135. a man of imp_____ce *n.* the quality of being important and worthy of note
136. er__ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
137. d__e situation *adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
138. de_____e the pound *v.* to reduce the value or worth of something
139. mis_____and entirely about her *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
140. ab_____e parent *adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else

ANSWERS: 131. misrepresent, 132. stick, 133. grieve, 134. tangible, 135. importance, 136. erase, 137. dire, 138. devalue, 139. misunderstand, 140. abusive

141. sa_____ce anything to get ahead *n.* the act of killing an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity; (verb) to give up something important or valuable to help another person or get or do something that seems more important
142. vi_____nt about hand-washing *adj.* keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties
143. se_____te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
144. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
145. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
146. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
147. on the ma_____al side *adj.* relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
148. pa_____el processing *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
149. res_____ce movement *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
150. 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

ANSWERS: 141. sacrifice, 142. vigilant, 143. separate, 144. conversation, 145. government, 146. mere, 147. maternal, 148. parallel, 149. resistance, 150. privilege

151. ta_____le assets *adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
152. an una_____ted genius *adj.* not adequately valued or acknowledged
153. foreign po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
154. u__y building *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
155. not nec_____ly a problem *adv.* in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise
156. take a qu_____on *n.* a group of words taken from a text or speech and repeated by someone other than the original author or speaker
157. carry a bu____n *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
158. suffer d__e poverty *adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
159. tr_____al cyclones *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
160. in_____or lamp *n.* something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing

ANSWERS: 151. tangible, 152. unappreciated, 153. policy, 154. ugly, 155. necessarily, 156. quotation, 157. burden, 158. dire, 159. tropical, 160. indicator

161. 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
162. al_____ng statistics
adj. causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing
163. an int_____al walk
adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent
164. gov_____nt bureaucracy
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
165. ste_____er role
n. a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father
166. inc_____ion rates
n. the state of being confined in prison or jail
167. aff_____le housing
adj. not expensive and able to pay
168. Doppler sh__t
n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
169. li_____me benefits
n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;
170. f_g tree
n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow
171. the per_____ve of the battle
n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
172. official score cer_____te
n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true

ANSWERS: 161. movement, 162. alarming, 163. intentional, 164. government, 165. stepfather, 166. incarceration, 167. affordable, 168. shift, 169. lifetime, 170. fig, 171. perspective, 172. certificate

173. a ra_____l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
174. acc_____sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
175. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
176. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
177. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
178. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
179. ins_____ize customary laws *v.* to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
180. dis_____ct for a customer *n.* an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something
181. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
182. an_____t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
183. res_____ce to insulin *n.* the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

ANSWERS: 173. radical, 174. accomplish, 175. celebrate, 176. critic, 177. nation, 178. conversation, 179. institutionalize, 180. disrespect, 181. communal, 182. ancient, 183. resistance

184. ev_____te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
185. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
186. mis_____and each other *v.* to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
187. de_____e a brand *v.* to reduce the value or worth of something
188. pro_____on of disease *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
189. vi___m compensation *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
190. code sn_____t *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
191. im_____nt communities *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
192. provide ac_____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
193. br_____nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
194. 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
195. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand

ANSWERS: 184. evaluate, 185. decide, 186. misunderstand, 187. devalue, 188. progression, 189. victim, 190. snippet, 191. immigrant, 192. accurate, 193. brilliant, 194. privilege, 195. obvious

196. 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
197. pr_____ol education *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time
198. br_____nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
199. answer questions ind_____lly *adv.* separately or apart from others
200. flu pa_____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
201. op_____st by nature *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
202. have a b__s toward socialism *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
203. vi___m support *n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
204. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
205. al__y cat *n.* a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets

ANSWERS: 196. launch, 197. preschool, 198. brilliant, 199. individually, 200. pandemic, 201. optimist, 202. bias, 203. victim, 204. narrative, 205. alley

206. fire st__k	<i>v.</i> to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
207. ri___e in the water	<i>n.</i> a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind
208. he was en____ly to blame	<i>adv.</i> completely
209. crossword pu___e	<i>n.</i> a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
210. pro_____on of civilization	<i>n.</i> the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
211. at___d service	<i>v.</i> to be present at an event, to go to a place
212. ed_____e student	<i>v.</i> to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
213. vi_____nt watch	<i>adj.</i> keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties
214. co_____de a meeting	<i>v.</i> to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
215. military st_____gy	<i>n.</i> a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
216. in_____on behind his decision	<i>n.</i> something you want to do and are going to do

ANSWERS: 206. stick, 207. ripple, 208. entirely, 209. puzzle, 210. progression, 211. attend, 212. educate, 213. vigilant, 214. conclude, 215. strategy, 216. intention

217. an im_____nt from the country *n.* a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently
218. a pa_____el case *adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations
219. hard to re____n *v.* to think or believe something
220. em_____ss political enemy *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
221. lo_____ly crafted *adv.* in a manner showing deep affection or care; with fondness and warmth; in a way that expresses or suggests love
222. duty as an ed_____or *n.* a person who teaches or educates people
223. ma_____n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
224. dis_____ate between different things *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
225. sy_____ze freedom *v.* to represent or stand for something else, particularly an abstract concept or idea; to be an emblem or sign of something
226. in_____te employees *v.* to make extremely angry, incite to rage, provoke intense anger or exasperation

ANSWERS: 217. immigrant, 218. parallel, 219. reckon, 220. embarrass, 221. lovingly, 222. educator, 223. margin, 224. discriminate, 225. symbolize, 226. infuriate

227. se_____ss devotion *adj.* concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic
228. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
229. mathematical pu____e *n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
230. re_____te a point *v.* to repeat something, typically for emphasis or clarity; to say or do something again and again
231. the advice of the ph_____an *n.* a medical doctor who practices medicine
232. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
233. m__h attracted to the light *n.* an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light
234. act as us__r *n.* a person who shows people to their seats in a theater or church or who guides them through a building
235. a person who is unc_____us *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

ANSWERS: 227. selfless, 228. mere, 229. puzzle, 230. reiterate, 231. physician, 232. combination, 233. moth, 234. usher, 235. unconscious

236. a race for su_____cy
n. the state, condition, or position of being superior to all others in authority, power, or status
237. ma_____ch figure
n. a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group
238. mat_____cs competition
n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
239. se_____ss act
adj. concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic
240. a seafaring na____n
n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
241. at inc_____le speed
adj. unbelievable; enormous
242. for in_____ce
n. a particular example or single occurrence of something
243. exa_____te the situation
v. to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
244. ch_____r of a political party
n. a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
245. ma_____al care
adj. relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child
246. art cr____c
n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
247. er__e a memory
v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

ANSWERS: 236. supremacy, 237. matriarch, 238. mathematics, 239. selfless, 240. nation, 241. incredible, 242. instance, 243. exacerbate, 244. chapter, 245. maternal, 246. critic, 247. erase

248. un_____r a potential problem *v.* to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden
249. health po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
250. in_____te customers *v.* to make extremely angry, incite to rage, provoke intense anger or exasperation
251. consult with a ph_____an *n.* a medical doctor who practices medicine
252. 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
253. permanent br__n damage *n.* the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
254. have an up__t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
255. in_____et a graph *v.* to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
256. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
257. binary rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

ANSWERS: 248. uncover, 249. policy, 250. infuriate, 251. physician, 252. decision, 253. brain, 254. upset, 255. interpret, 256. incredible, 257. representation

258. dis_____ate against women employees *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
259. sn_____t of wisdom *n.* a small piece or brief extract of something
260. natural he_____g ability *n.* the process of becoming or making somebody or something well again
261. int_____al destruction of evidence *adj.* done, made or performed with purpose and intent
262. app_____te her feedback *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
263. psychic tr_____a *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
264. political op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
265. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
266. tr_____a care *n.* an emotional wound or shock often has long-lasting effects caused by a highly upsetting or shocking experience
267. acc_____sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
268. al_____ng news *adj.* causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing

ANSWERS: 258. discriminate, 259. snippet, 260. healing, 261. intentional, 262. appreciate, 263. trauma, 264. optimism, 265. essential, 266. trauma, 267. accomplish, 268. alarming

269. sense of op_____sm *n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
270. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
271. re____n the company as a rival *v.* to think or believe something
272. welfare ca_____er *n.* a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
273. ruled by a ma_____ch *n.* a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group
274. ku__s to the team *n.* praise, honor, or recognition for an achievement or accomplishment
275. app_____te the value *v.* to value and acknowledge the worth of someone or something; to be grateful for something or someone
276. mis_____ent the situation *v.* to present a false or misleading interpretation or impression of something or someone
277. en_____on the project's success *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
278. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 269. optimism, 270. elect, 271. reckon, 272. caretaker, 273. matriarch, 274. kudos, 275. appreciate, 276. misrepresent, 277. envision, 278. involve

279. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
280. do____ic airline *adj.* relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
281. during pr_____ol years *adj.* relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time
282. en____s hours *adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
283. en____on the future *v.* to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future
284. she hit him int_____lly *adv.* in a planned or intended way
285. make a positive con_____ion *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
286. afraid to show em_____n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
287. com_____te a loss *v.* to make up for a loss, injury, or inconvenience by giving something of value
288. death from sh__k *n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

ANSWERS: 279. mass, 280. domestic, 281. preschool, 282. endless, 283. envision, 284. intentionally, 285. contribution, 286. emotion, 287. compensate, 288. shock

289. int_____ion by foreign powers *n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so
290. tr_____al islands *adj.* originating in, located in, or characteristic of the tropics
291. una_____ted effort *adj.* not adequately valued or acknowledged
292. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
293. co_____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
294. sales rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
295. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
296. an un____n force *adj.* not seen or noticed; not perceived
297. unc_____us bias *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
298. ge_____te more electricity *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

ANSWERS: 289. intervention, 290. tropical, 291. unappreciated, 292. vision, 293. conclude, 294. representation, 295. combination, 296. unseen, 297. unconscious, 298. generate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This ad campaign is aimed _____ at young women.
adv. only associated with or meant for one thing
2. The _____ of getting the disease will drastically increase.
n. a chance that something may happen or be true
3. He acted as a _____ until a new president was elected.
n. a person employed to take care of a large building such as a school and who deals with the cleaning, repairs, etc.; a person employed to look after a house or land while the owner is away
4. The paper is _____ worth reading thoroughly.
adv. without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
5. The heat wave _____ the drought conditions.
v. to make a situation, problem, or feeling worse
6. Our CEO's _____ are always transparent and straightforward.
n. something you want to do and are going to do
7. We need to _____ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.
v. to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
8. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.
n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

ANSWERS: 1. specifically, 2. possibility, 3. caretaker, 4. definitely, 5. exacerbated, 6. intentions, 7. separate, 8. strategy

9. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.

adj. indispensable; fundamental

10. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

11. She is an _____ with progressive ideas.

n. a person who teaches or educates people

12. The meeting aims to _____ possible choices.

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

13. She researched gender _____ in politics.

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

14. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

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

15. You cannot accomplish great things without a _____ of your time or money.

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

16. She was constantly _____ by her ex-boyfriend and had to get a restraining order.

v. to annoy, torment, or pester persistently; to subject someone to repeated or chronic attacks or unwelcome attention

ANSWERS: 9. essential, 10. elected, 11. educator, 12. evaluate, 13. bias, 14. nation, 15. sacrifice, 16. harassed

17. There is considerable _____ that the economy will recover soon.
n. a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
18. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.
adj. unbelievable; enormous
19. The uniformed _____ showed the guests to their seats.
n. a person who shows people to their seats in a theater or church or who guides them through a building
20. GDP stands for gross _____ product.
adj. relating to or inside a particular country, not foreign or international
21. He was awfully _____ by the news.
adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
22. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.
adj. having received a high standard of education
23. Several IT millionaires have shown that the level of education is a relatively poor _____ of whether a business can be successfully run.
n. something that shows or points out what a situation is like or how a situation is changing
24. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.
v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 17. optimism, 18. incredible, 19. usher, 20. domestic, 21. upset, 22. educated, 23. indicator, 24. represent

25. He _____ that corruption was rampant in the regime.

v. to think or believe something

26. The company has made great strides in its _____ toward sustainability.

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

27. My old school's _____ program was well-regarded and had an excellent reputation.

adj. relating to or denoting the period before a child begins primary school; (noun) the activities or education provided during this time

28. Our company has an audit team that monitors directors for _____ of authority.

n. the use of something in an incorrect or harmful manner

29. They fear a _____ of a new type of virus.

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

30. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.

adj. correct and exact in all details

31. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

32. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

33. The guards had to remain _____ to ensure the safety of the high-security facility.

adj. keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties

ANSWERS: 25. reckons, 26. progression, 27. preschool, 28. abuse, 29. pandemic, 30. accurate, 31. universal, 32. celebrated, 33. vigilant

34. His _____ to the charity was a generous donation of money.
n. the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
35. We _____ a cease-fire.
v. to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
36. The new policy aims to _____ the use of renewable energy sources.
v. to establish or make something a part of an institution (= a place such as a university, hospital, etc.)
37. The judge sentenced him to five years of _____ for embezzlement.
n. the state of being confined in prison or jail
38. Her negative comments about the project only _____ the team's efforts.
v. to reduce the value or worth of something
39. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
40. Scientists traced the _____ of the species back millions of years by studying fossils.
n. the ancestry of a person, group, or species
41. The journalist saved a _____ of the interview for later reference.
n. a small piece or brief extract of something

ANSWERS: 34. contribution, 35. concluded, 36. institutionalize, 37. incarceration, 38. devalued, 39. narrative, 40. lineage, 41. snippet

42. She is a confident _____ who always looks on the bright side.

n. a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future

43. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

44. He got an electric _____ at work.

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

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

adj. not seen or noticed; not perceived

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

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

47. 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

48. Some _____ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

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

49. She visited the local _____ to seek treatment for her persistent headache.

n. a medical doctor who practices medicine

ANSWERS: 42. optimist, 43. vision, 44. shock, 45. unseen, 46. Tropical, 47. launch, 48. emotions, 49. physician

50. Her _____ dedication to the community earned her a prestigious award.

adj. concerned more with the needs and desires of others than with one's own; unselfish; altruistic

51. The economic stimulation program would _____ a lot of new jobs.

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

52. _____ rejection and acceptance are both psychologically significant events.

adj. connected with relationships between people

53. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

54. The _____ is a serious threat to the farm's output.

n. an insect with wings similar to a butterfly that travels at night and is attracted to light

55. The company offered to _____ the employees for the overtime they worked.

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

56. She had lived through two world wars in her _____.

n. the duration of someone's life or something's existence;

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

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

ANSWERS: 50. selfless, 51. generate, 52. Interpersonal, 53. stick, 54. moth, 55. compensate, 56. lifetime, 57. ancient

58. She felt _____ for all the hard work she had put in.

adj. not adequately valued or acknowledged

59. She _____ the loss of her parents.

v. to feel or show great sadness or sorrow, especially for someone who has died

60. I stopped by the branch though I have no business of _____.

n. the quality of being important and worthy of note

61. He attempted to _____ the misspelled word.

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

62. Many businesses felt the _____ effect of the economy's decline.

n. a small wave on the surface of a liquid, typically caused by an object falling into it or a slight wind

63. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

64. He was known for his _____ behavior.

adj. having casual sexual relations frequently with different partners; indiscriminate in the choice of sexual partners; not selective of a single class or person

65. The more _____ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.

adj. extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

66. The empire's military power ensured its _____ over the neighboring states.

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

ANSWERS: 58. unappreciated, 59. grieved, 60. importance, 61. erase, 62. ripple, 63. obvious, 64. promiscuous, 65. brilliant, 66. supremacy

67. We cannot _____ her as President.

v. to imagine or expect what a situation will be like in the future

68. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.

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

69. She would never _____ hurt anyone.

adv. in a planned or intended way

70. He received a _____ in computer programming from the local college.

n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true

71. His rude behavior _____ many people at the party.

v. to make extremely angry, incite to rage, provoke intense anger or exasperation

72. The sudden rise in crime rates in our neighborhood is quite _____.

adj. causing concern or apprehension; causing a feeling of danger, harm, or emergency; unsettling or disturbing

73. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.

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

74. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

75. Each ancient tribe has its _____ traditions.

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

ANSWERS: 67. envision, 68. mass, 69. intentionally, 70. certificate, 71. infuriated, 72. alarming, 73. brain, 74. Communal, 75. healing

76. The article _____ the true intentions of the author's argument.
- v. to present a false or misleading interpretation or impression of something or someone
77. You should not _____ the meaning of freedom.
- v. to interpret or understand something in the wrong way
78. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
79. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
- n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
80. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.
- n. a particular example or single occurrence of something
81. Different people might _____ this news differently.
- v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
82. The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much _____ from the public.
- n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
83. In many cultures, the color white _____ purity and innocence.
- v. to represent or stand for something else, particularly an abstract concept or idea; to be an emblem or sign of something
84. 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

ANSWERS: 76. misrepresents, 77. misunderstand, 78. government, 79. critics, 80. instances, 81. interpret, 82. resistance, 83. symbolizes, 84. relations

85. That car has a low environmental _____.

- n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

86. He included a _____ from the book in his essay.

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

87. 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

88. I know his _____ habit that he touches his face when he lies.

- adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness

89. He lost the election by _____ votes.

- adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

90. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

- n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

91. I need to _____ the importance of submitting your report by the deadline.

- v.* to repeat something, typically for emphasis or clarity; to say or do something again and again

ANSWERS: 85. burden, 86. quotation, 87. decision, 88. unconscious, 89. mere, 90. policy, 91. reiterate

92. This _____ does not require the patient's consent.

- n.* the action or process of being done to improve or help a circumstance, often they have not been asked to do so

93. Later, his claim was found to be _____ false.

- adv.* completely

94. He has a flair for _____.

- n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

95. I didn't get along with my _____ when I was young, but now we're like best friends.

- n.* a man who is married to one's mother but is not one's biological father

96. They played basketball in the _____ behind their house.

- n.* a narrow lane or way between buildings, often used as a passage or a shortcut; a small street that runs between two other streets

97. The employee _____ the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

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

98. The painting is _____ and there is no other like it.

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

99. You should not _____ against minorities.

- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

ANSWERS: 92. intervention, 93. entirely, 94. mathematics, 95. stepfather, 96. alley, 97. deserved, 98. unique, 99. discriminate

100. The government established by the coup was more _____ than before.

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

101. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

102. The school's mission is to _____ young children and prepare them for the future.

v. to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.

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

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

104. The _____ to the safe was a secret.

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

105. He ate the dried _____ he had preserved.

n. a sweet and soft edible fruit with many seeds or a tree on which these grow

106. Police received a report of illegal _____ in the area.

n. a person who has come to a country where they were not born to live there permanently

ANSWERS: 100. radical, 101. involves, 102. educate, 103. oppressed, 104. combination, 105. figs, 106. immigrants

107. The automaker has been providing _____ car financing options since last year.

adj. not expensive and able to pay

108. Could you help me _____ some furniture?

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

109. Many civilians have suffered _____ as a result of the war.

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

110. The law distinguishes between accidental and _____ killing.

adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent

111. The study found that regular exercise can help to prevent the onset of _____ in older age.

n. a severe decline in cognitive function, especially memory, as a result of disease or injury

112. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

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

113. She looked at him _____ and knew he was the one for her.

adv. in a manner showing deep affection or care; with fondness and warmth; in a way that expresses or suggests love

114. She had a very _____ instinct towards her newborn baby.

adj. relating to or characteristic of a mother; having feelings that are typical of a caring mother towards her child

ANSWERS: 107. affordable, 108. shift, 109. trauma, 110. intentional, 111. dementia, 112. decide, 113. lovingly, 114. maternal

115. The government should do more to support environmentally _____ agriculture.

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

116. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

117. Her behavior _____ a quarrel between the couple.

v. to stimulate or give rise to a particular reaction or have a particular effect

118. Each department has done its product costing _____.

adv. separately or apart from others

119. A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal _____.

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

120. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

121. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.

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

122. His _____ behavior towards his elders earned him a stern warning from his parents.

n. an expression of lack of regard or contempt for someone or something

ANSWERS: 115. sustainable, 116. conversation, 117. provoked, 118. individually, 119. representation, 120. murder, 121. perspective, 122. disrespectful

123. She struggled for years to survive without _____.
- n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
124. 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
125. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
126. The _____ economic straits called for immediate action.
- adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
127. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.
- n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
128. A problem that has been pointed out for years finally becomes _____.
- adj.* real and concrete; able to be perceived, especially able to be touched; (of business assets) having physical substance and intrinsic monetary value
129. 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
130. He looked for an opportunity to _____ that actor in public.
- v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

ANSWERS: 123. welfare, 124. movement, 125. crisis, 126. dire, 127. margin, 128. tangible, 129. privilege, 130. embarrass

131. I will work hard to _____ my goals and realize my dreams.

- v.* to successfully complete a task or goal, often through hard work, perseverance, and dedication; to attain or accomplish something that one has set out to do

132. The _____ truth was that he had been lying to her for months.

- adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

133. He decided to enjoy his freedom as a _____ before settling down.

- n.* an unmarried man; a person who holds an undergraduate degree from a college or university

134. He walked a road _____ to the railroad.

- adj.* being everywhere equidistant and not intersecting; of or relating to the simultaneous performance of multiple operations

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

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

136. The _____ of the family was known for her wisdom and guidance.

- n.* a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group

137. We would _____ an early reply.

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

138. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.

- v.* to finish or achieve something successfully

ANSWERS: 131. achieve, 132. ugly, 133. bachelor, 134. parallel, 135. violent, 136. matriarch, 137. appreciate, 138. accomplish

139. The _____ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.
- n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
140. She received _____ from her boss for her exceptional work on the project.
- n.* praise, honor, or recognition for an achievement or accomplishment
141. The final _____ provides a summary of the discussion.
- n.* a separate section of a written work usually numbered and titled
142. The charity event aims to _____ the homeless rather than treat them as mere statistics.
- v.* to make something or someone more humane or compassionate; to make something more relatable or understandable to humans
143. This jigsaw _____ is challenging because there are no pictures.
- n.* a situation that is difficult to follow or solve; a game, problem, or toy that tests a person's ingenuity or knowledge; (verb) to cause someone to feel confused because of something difficult to understand
144. He looked out the window at the _____ stream of people.
- adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
145. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
146. The teacher's _____ language towards the students was unacceptable.
- adj.* involving or characterized by harmful or offensive treatment, language, or behavior; using physical, emotional, or verbal force to control or harm someone else

ANSWERS: 139. victim, 140. kudos, 141. chapter, 142. humanize, 143. puzzle, 144. endless, 145. mentioned, 146. abusive

147. We must _____ to this matter.

v. to be present at an event, to go to a place

148. This accident was something that happened _____.

adv. in an essential manner; in such a way as could not be otherwise

149. He continued his investigation and soon _____ another crime.

v. to remove the cover from something; to discover something previously unseen or hidden

ANSWERS: 147. attend, 148. necessarily, 149. uncovered