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Session 1: Word List

honor

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

synonym: integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

definitive

adj. serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

synonym: conclusive, final, decisive

(1) **definitive** answer, (2) a **definitive** edition

The study provided **definitive** proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym: board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

watt

n. a standard unit for measuring electrical power
(1) 30- **watt** light bulb, (2) **watt** per square meter
Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega **watt** solar power.

decline

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

synonym: descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

infrastructure

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

synonym: foundation, framework

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

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

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.

foremost

adj. most important, leading, or prominent

synonym: leading, primary, first

(1) **foremost** expert, (2) keep **foremost** in mind

The **foremost** priority is the safety of the passengers.

forecast

n. a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance

synonym: prediction, outlook, (verb) guess

(1) a weather **forecast**, (2) **forecast** an epidemic

Their team specializes in demand **forecasts** for our products.

lens

n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation

synonym : glass

(1) a convex **lens**, (2) a **lens** with a wide angle

The photographer took this photo using a telephoto **lens**.

exponential

adj. becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents

(1) **exponential** growth, (2) **exponential** function

Since the 1990s, the Internet has continued to experience **exponential** growth.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym : regrettably, unluckily, alas

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

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

fortunate

adj. having good luck or lucky

synonym : fortuitous, lucky, blessed

(1) **fortunate** situation, (2) less **fortunate** person

He was pretty **fortunate** to pass the exam.

deception

n. the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action

synonym : fraud, deceit, trickery

(1) **deception** tactics, (2) **deception** in advertising

The politician was accused of **deception** for making false promises during his campaign.

pace

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

synonym : gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym : enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

underestimate

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

synonym : underrate, misjudge, miscalculate

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

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

install

v. to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position

synonym : establish, inaugurate, lodge

(1) **install** a door, (2) **install** a chairperson

The new president was **installed** immediately after the national election.

deploy

v. to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

synonym : set up, expand, launch

(1) **deploy** troops for battle, (2) **deploy** safety measures

This country **deployed** its weapons in the east region.

installation

n. the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position

synonym : induction, introduction, furnishing

(1) **installation** fee, (2) a medical **installation**

The Queen attested the **installation** of state ministers to their portfolios.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym : direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

accelerate

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

synonym : speed up, quicken, rev

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

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

offshore

adj. situated at or happening in the sea, not far from the shore or land; (of winds) coming from the land

synonym : seaward, alongshore

(1) an **offshore** oil field, (2) an **offshore** fund

The company undertakes **offshore** development for software companies in many countries.

battery

n. a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

synonym : electric cell, array, batch

(1) a dry **battery**, (2) **battery** charging

The engine did not start because the **battery** was flat.

grid

n. a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

synonym : gridiron, battery grid, power system

(1) a **grid** design, (2) a wire **grid**

Grid pattern roads often appear in urban areas.

storage

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

synonym : storehouse, depository, warehousing

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

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

electrify

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

synonym : wire, amaze, astonish

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

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

hydrogen

n. the chemical element that is the lightest gas is colorless, odorless, tasteless, and combines with oxygen to form water

(1) **hydrogen** gas, (2) heavy **hydrogen**

The **hydrogen** and the oxygen react and then form water.

fuel

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

synonym : energy, power, gas

(1) biomass **fuel**, (2) smokeless **fuel**

The **fuel** scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym : diligent, hardworking, assiduous

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

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

aviation

n. the activity or process of designing, building, flying, and maintaining aircraft

synonym: flying, flight, aeronautics

(1) global **aviation** industry, (2) civil **aviation**

The **aviation** expert analyzed the fluid around the aircraft.

claim

v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

(1) **claim** responsibility, (2) false **claim**

He wants to **claim** ownership of the abandoned property.

fossil

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

synonym: relic, remnant, antediluvian

(1) burning of **fossil** fuels, (2) a **fossil** leaf

It was the **fossil** of a dinosaur tooth.

commodity

n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

synonym: merchandise, goods, entity

(1) **commodity** tax, (2) international **commodity**

The government announced a policy to control the rise in **commodity** prices.

fluctuate

v. to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably

synonym: vary, oscillate, sway

(1) **fluctuate** prices, (2) **fluctuate** rapidly

Stock prices **fluctuate** daily based on market demand and supply.

institute

n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular

profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

synonym : academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym : finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

coal

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

synonym : ember

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

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

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym : mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

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.

subsidy

n. money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen

synonym : allowance, grant, sponsorship

(1) inefficient fossil fuel **subsidy**, (2) a **subsidy** for research
The government provided a considerable **subsidy** to the company.

competitive

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

synonym: aggressive, ambitious, militant

(1) a **competitive** price, (2) **competitive** position

The mobile application industry is a **competitive** one.

operate

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

synonym: work, use, employ

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

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

intermittent

adj. occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady; stopping and starting periodically; sporadic

synonym: sporadic, irregular, periodic

(1) **intermittent** fever, (2) **intermittent** Wi-Fi

The **intermittent** rain made it difficult to plan a picnic.

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym: border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

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**.

mineral

n. a solid inorganic substance occurring in nature having a definite chemical composition

(1) vitamin and **minerals**, (2) **mineral** rights

The robust economy of the country is based on its **mineral** resources.

transition

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

synonym: change, growth, shift

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

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

reluctance

n. a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking

synonym: hesitation, resistance, unwillingness

(1) overcoming **reluctance**, (2) **reluctance** in buying

The company's **reluctance** to invest in new technology kept them from competing with other businesses.

backyard

n. a whole space behind and belonging to a house

synonym: courtyard, garden

(1) play in the **backyard**, (2) **backyard** barbecue

He grows vegetables in his **backyard**.

permit

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

synonym: allow, authorize, concede

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

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

renewable

adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced

synonym: sustainable, replaceable

(1) **renewable** energy, (2) **renewable** subscriptions

The production of **renewable** fuels requires massive volumes

of fresh water.

complaint

n. a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something

synonym: grievance, objection, accusation

(1) **complaint** department, (2) **complaint** about price-gouging

She filed a **complaint** with the manager about the poor service.

compact

adj. closely and firmly united or packed together, using very little space; smaller than is usual

synonym: packed, tight, consolidated

(1) a **compact** camera, (2) extremely **compact** device

Two countries acted together as if by **compact**.

co-location

n. a situation in which two or more different organizations or departments share the same physical location or office space, especially for convenience or cost-saving purposes

synonym: sharing, collaboration, cooperation

(1) server **co-location**, (2) office **co-location**

The new **co-location** of the IT departments is expected to increase efficiency and collaboration.

agriculture

n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

synonym: farming, husbandry, agribusiness

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

Agriculture is the foundation of our economy.

graze

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

synonym: nibble, feed, scrape

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

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

turbine

n. a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas

synonym: engine, generator, power plant

(1) **turbine** energy, (2) **turbine** aerofoil

The wind **turbines** were spinning rapidly, generating clean energy for the nearby town.

crop

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

synonym: output, produce, product

(1) **crop** field, (2) **crop** herbicide

Sow early for an early **crop**.

modern

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

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

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

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

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.

roughly

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

synonym: approximately, more or less, around

(1) **roughly** explain my idea, (2) **roughly** speaking

Five miles is **roughly** similar to eight kilometers.

devote

v. to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose

synonym: commit, dedicate, apply

(1) **devote** all of my energies, (2) **devote** my own life

He **devoted** himself to studying the history of ancient

civilizations.

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.

nowhere

adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

(1) **nowhere** else to go, (2) come out of **nowhere**
I've been thinking all day and getting **nowhere**.

perception

n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you
regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to
see, hear, or notice something through the senses

synonym : understanding, idea, awareness

(1) keen **perception**, (2) **perception** of a stimulus

He is a man admired for the depth of his **perception**.

solar

adj. of, from, or relating to the sun

(1) the **solar** system, (2) a **solar** eclipse

Solar panels have greatly improved not only in performance
but also in durability.

opposition

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

synonym : resistance, hostility, antagonism

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

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

dependent

adj. relying on someone or something else for support or aid

synonym : reliant, subject, subordinate

(1) dose- **dependent** induction, (2) a **dependent** person

The small island nation is heavily **dependent** on tourism as its main source of income.

continent

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

synonym: landmass, (adjective) chaste, (adjective) pure

(1) the inland of a **continent**, (2) **continent** urinary diversion

Flight across the **continent** was a daring adventure in its day.

plague

n. any epidemic disease with a high death rate; (also called pest) a serious, sometimes fatal, infection spread by rats that causes fever and swellings on the body

synonym: epidemic, pandemic, pest

(1) catch the **plague**, (2) deadly **plague**

Our farm experienced a **plague** of locusts this year.

transmission

n. the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television

synonym: transportation, communication, broadcast

(1) **transmission** speed, (2) the **transmission** gears of a car

Education is the **transmission** of civilization.

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.

sunshine

n. the direct light and heat that comes from the sun

synonym: sunlight, daylight, rays

(1) warm **sunshine**, (2) morning **sunshine**

The **sunshine** was so bright that I had to wear sunglasses to protect my eyes.

dramatic

adj. very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement

synonym: striking, theatrical, breathtaking

(1) make **dramatic** changes, (2) a **dramatic** rescue at sea

The statement had a **dramatic** impact on house prices.

simulate

v. to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

synonym: pretend, imitate, mimic

(1) **simulate** climate change, (2) **simulate** a future scenario

He had painted the wood to **simulate** stone.

reliability

n. the quality of being able to be trusted or believed in doing what someone desires or requires

synonym: dependability, trustability, solidness

(1) improve **reliability**, (2) **reliability** test

The incident threw questions on her motivations and **reliability**.

carbon

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

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

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

emission

n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.

synonym: emanation, radiation, discharge

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

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

primarily

adv. mainly

synonym: largely, mainly, mostly

(1) intended **primarily** for young people, (2) **primarily** affect adults

All peaceful cooperation is based **primarily** on mutual trust.

hydro

n. a prefix denoting water or relating to water, usually used in scientific or technical terminology

synonym: water, aqua, liquid

(1) **hydro** power, (2) **hydro** turbine

The **hydro** plant generates electricity by harnessing the power of water.

countercyclical

adj. describes policies, actions, or industries that oppose or mitigate the effects of an economic cycle, meaning that they work to support economic growth during times of recession and reduce it during times of expansion

synonym: anticyclical, opposite, counter-seasonal

(1) **countercyclical** policies, (2) **countercyclical** government spending

The government's **countercyclical** measures helped prevent a deep recession during the economic downturn.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym: barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

oversimplify

v. to describe or explain something in a way that is too simple and no longer holds true

(1) **oversimplify** the problem, (2) **oversimplify** a complex reality

People may **oversimplify** natural phenomena due to the improved accessibility of knowledge.

decarbonize

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

synonym: decoke, decarburise, decarburize

(1) **decarbonize** their manufacturing process,

(2) **decarbonize** its energy system

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

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym : division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

trillion

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

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

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

climate

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

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

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

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

dam

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

synonym : barricade, barrier, embankment

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

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

economics

n. the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services

synonym : social science, finance, business

(1) welfare **economics**, (2) **economics** professor

His class will cover an introduction to agricultural **economics**.

bulk

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

synonym : majority, largeness, amount

(1) buy in **bulk**, (2) **bulk** data transfer
I received a parcel of great **bulk**.

interior

n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building

synonym : inner, inside, internal

(1) **interior** decoration, (2) plenty of **interior** space

The painter focused on the moody **interiors** of abandoned buildings in his work.

voltage

n. the difference in the force of an electric current between two points

(1) the **voltage** spiked, (2) low **voltage**

Connecting batteries in series increase the **voltage** of the circuit.

transmit

v. to send or forward an electronic signal; to pass something from one person or thing to another

synonym : convey, share, dispatch

(1) **transmit** the disease, (2) **transmit** information

Parents often **transmit** their characteristics to their children.

efficient

adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

synonym : productive, effective, competent

(1) **efficient** operation, (2) energy- **efficient** appliances

The new washing machine is much more **efficient** than the old one.

penny

n. a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent

synonym : cent, coin, copper

(1) **penny** stock, (2) save a **penny**

I found a lucky **penny** on the ground while walking to work

this morning.

technique

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

synonym: approach, procedure, strategy

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

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

feasible

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

synonym: achievable, possible, attainable

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

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

advance

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

synonym: progress, boost, come along

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

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

statistics

n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

(1) **statistics** for cancer, (2) official **statistics**

The **statistics** demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

dense

adj. containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

synonym: heavy, thick, idiotic

(1) nutrient- **dense** foods, (2) **dense** forests

The entire mountain is covered in **dense** rainforest.

devoid

adj. completely lacking or free from something

synonym: empty, lacking, void

(1) **devoid** of life, (2) air **devoid** of pollution

The room was **devoid** of any furniture or decorations.

assert

v. to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

synonym: maintain, state, declare

(1) **assert** a free society, (2) **assert** a claim for unjust enrichment

She **asserted** that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

build-out

n. the process of constructing, expanding, or renovating a physical structure, such as a building or infrastructure for utilities

synonym: expansion, infrastructure, development

(1) restaurant **build-out**, (2) network **build-out**

The company's **build-out** of new stores nationwide allowed them to increase its market reach.

competition

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

synonym: contest, match, fight

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

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

combine

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

synonym: coalesce, cohere, blend

(1) **combine** chemically with another substance,

(2) **combine** augmented reality

Hydrogen and oxygen **combine** to form water.

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.

incentive

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

synonym : encouragement, inducement, enticement

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

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

abundant

adj. present in great quantity

synonym : ample, plentiful, generative

(1) live an **abundant** life, (2) an **abundant** supply of water

The country has **abundant** oil and natural gas resources.

duplicate

v. to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something

synonym : copy, replicate, reproduce

(1) **duplicate** my efforts, (2) **duplicate** his action

I need to **duplicate** this document before I send it.

provider

n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

synonym : supplier

(1) an information **provider**, (2) the **provider** of the family

People select Internet **providers** not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.

confidence

n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

synonym : self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

relative

adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

synonym : comparative, proximate, congeneric

(1) a remote **relative**, (2) **relative** factors

Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close **relatives**.

geography

n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

synonym : landscape, terrain, topography

(1) **geography** class, (2) economic **geography**

She did well on her **geography** exam.

planet

n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

inflation

n. a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air

synonym : increase, swelling, boom

(1) **inflation** control, (2) global **inflation**

Investment in index funds can often be a hedge against **inflation**.

reduction

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

synonym : diminution, decrease, cutback

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

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

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.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym: revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

analyze

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

synonym: explore, examine, investigate

(1) **analyze** a chemical compound, (2) **analyze** your real motives

The teacher attempted to **analyze** the root cause of our mistake.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym: basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

opposed

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

synonym : anti, averse, hostile

(1) two **opposed** characters, (2) absolutely **opposed** to abortion

I'm strongly **opposed** to that plan.

consequence

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

synonym : result, impact, outcome

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

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

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.

manifest

v. to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions

synonym : exhibit, make plain, demonstrate

(1) **manifest** as the word, (2) **manifest** displeasure

The Prime Minister **manifested** his regret for his neighbors

eliminate

v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

synonym : wipe out, destroy, eradicate

(1) **eliminate** contestants, (2) **eliminate** sexual barriers

We can **eliminate** this possibility from those consumptions.

boost

v. to improve, raise, or increase something

synonym : raise, advance, promote

(1) **boost** the economy, (2) **boost** flexibility

The new service helped **boost** net income by 10%.

resilient

adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions

synonym : robust, sturdy, tough

(1) a hard and **resilient** steel, (2) **resilient** population

She is a **resilient** person and has always bounced back from setbacks.

dominate

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

synonym : govern, rule, prevail

(1) **dominate** possession, (2) **dominate** over the weak

The perspective of his right brain **dominates** his consciousness.

economical

adj. providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary

synonym : frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

(1) **economical** use of her time, (2) an **economical** meal

It is more **economical** to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

disrupt

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

synonym : interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep

I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

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.

Session 2: Spelling

1. energy-ef_____nt appliances *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
2. a su_____y for research *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
3. re_____on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
4. an information pr_____er *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
5. in_____on control *n.* a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air
6. el_____fy a manufacturing process *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
7. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 1. efficient, 2. subsidy, 3. reduction, 4. provider, 5. inflation, 6. electrify, 7. panel

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| 8. the con_____ce of an argument | <i>n.</i> the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual |
| 9. a def_____ve edition | <i>adj.</i> serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed |
| 10. mo____n poetry | <i>adj.</i> of or belonging to the present time or recent times |
| 11. low vo_____e | <i>n.</i> the difference in the force of an electric current between two points |
| 12. co_____de a meeting | <i>v.</i> to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning |
| 13. hy__o power | <i>n.</i> a prefix denoting water or relating to water, usually used in scientific or technical terminology |
| 14. el_____te sexual barriers | <i>v.</i> to remove or get rid of someone or something |
| 15. tu_____e energy | <i>n.</i> a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas |
| 16. a seafaring na____n | <i>n.</i> a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture |
| 17. an_____e your real motives | <i>v.</i> to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning |
| 18. overcoming rel_____ce | <i>n.</i> a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking |
| 19. ma_____st displeasure | <i>v.</i> to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions |

ANSWERS: 8. consequence, 9. definitive, 10. modern, 11. voltage, 12. conclude, 13. hydro, 14. eliminate, 15. turbine, 16. nation, 17. analyze, 18. reluctance, 19. manifest

20. co____de that he is healthy *v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
21. co_____nt urinary diversion *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex
22. a st_____e battery *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information
23. the tr__d away from television *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
24. economic ge_____hy *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
25. ba_____y charging *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
26. burning of fo___l fuels *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
27. the so__r system *adj.* of, from, or relating to the sun
28. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
29. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
30. a g__d design *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

ANSWERS: 20. conclude, 21. continent, 22. storage, 23. trend, 24. geography, 25. battery, 26. fossil, 27. solar, 28. modern, 29. analyze, 30. grid

31. deadly pl___e *n.* any epidemic disease with a high death rate; (also called pest) a serious, sometimes fatal, infection spread by rats that causes fever and swellings on the body
32. de_____on tactics *n.* the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action
33. gr__e the left shoulder *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping
34. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
35. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
36. the pr_____er of the family *n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
37. catch the pl___e *n.* any epidemic disease with a high death rate; (also called pest) a serious, sometimes fatal, infection spread by rats that causes fever and swellings on the body
38. a remote re_____ve *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
39. intensive agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock

ANSWERS: 31. plague, 32. deception, 33. graze, 34. dam, 35. massive, 36. provider, 37. plague, 38. relative, 39. agriculture

40. a fo___l leaf *n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
41. the runner's p___e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
42. the em_____on of light *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
43. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
44. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
45. a weather fo_____st *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
46. information ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
47. office co-_____on *n.* a situation in which two or more different organizations or departments share the same physical location or office space, especially for convenience or cost-saving purposes
48. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 40. fossil, 41. pace, 42. emission, 43. unfortunately, 44. climate, 45. forecast, 46. barrier, 47. co-location, 48. economy

49. du_____te my efforts *v.* to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something
50. pe____t application *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
51. excessive op_____st *n.* a person who tends to expect the best in all things and to be hopeful and confident about the future
52. fo_____st an epidemic *n.* a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
53. keen per_____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
54. a cold cl_____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
55. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
56. absolutely op_____d to abortion *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
57. tr_____it information *v.* to send or forward an electronic signal; to pass something from one person or thing to another

ANSWERS: 49. duplicate, 50. permit, 51. optimist, 52. forecast, 53. perception, 54. climate, 55. infrastructure, 56. opposed, 57. transmit

58. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
59. research in_____tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
60. intended pr_____ly for young people *adv.* mainly
61. fe_____le assumption *adj.* capable of being or likely to be made, done, or achieved
62. as____t a claim for unjust enrichment *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
63. manually op_____e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
64. come out of no_____e *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
65. art cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
66. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
67. ro_____y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
68. a so__r eclipse *adj.* of, from, or relating to the sun
69. de_____on in advertising *n.* the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action

ANSWERS: 58. fuel, 59. institute, 60. primarily, 61. feasible, 62. assert, 63. operate, 64. nowhere, 65. critic, 66. dam, 67. roughly, 68. solar, 69. deception

70. make dr____ic changes *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
71. tre_____us amount *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
72. ove_____ify a complex reality *v.* to describe or explain something in a way that is too simple and no longer holds true
73. at your own p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
74. a gradual re_____on *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
75. u__y building *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
76. an ab____nt supply of water *adj.* present in great quantity
77. ensure a smooth tra_____on *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
78. fl_____te rapidly *v.* to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably
79. el_____te contestants *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
80. in_____l a door *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
81. the te_____ue applied to construction *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
82. und_____ate the probability *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is

ANSWERS: 70. dramatic, 71. tremendous, 72. oversimplify, 73. pace, 74. reduction, 75. ugly, 76. abundant, 77. transition, 78. fluctuate, 79. eliminate, 80. install, 81. technique, 82. underestimate

83. a te_____ue in martial arts *n.* a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
84. ad_____e a cooperative relationship *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
85. acc_____te the car *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
86. exp_____al growth *adj.* becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents
87. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
88. an u__y sound *adj.* unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at
89. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
90. an of_____re fund *adj.* situated at or happening in the sea, not far from the shore or land; (of winds) coming from the land
91. industrial se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
92. a hard and re_____nt steel *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
93. a dry ba_____y *n.* a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them
94. inefficient fossil fuel su_____y *n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen

ANSWERS: 83. technique, 84. advance, 85. accelerate, 86. exponential, 87. economical, 88. ugly, 89. instance, 90. offshore, 91. sector, 92. resilient, 93. battery, 94. subsidy

95. ec____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
96. el_____fy the audience *v.* to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
97. private se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
98. 30-w__t light bulb *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
99. buy in b__k *n.* the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something
100. an international tr__d *n.* a general direction in which something is changing or developing
101. construction of new c__l plants *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
102. re_____le energy *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
103. biomass f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
104. c__p field *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

ANSWERS: 95. economy, 96. electrify, 97. sector, 98. watt, 99. bulk, 100. trend, 101. coal, 102. renewable, 103. fuel, 104. crop

105. ro____y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
106. pl____t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
107. heavy hy____en *n.* the chemical element that is the lightest gas is colorless, odorless, tasteless, and combines with oxygen to form water
108. server co-____on *n.* a situation in which two or more different organizations or departments share the same physical location or office space, especially for convenience or cost-saving purposes
109. meet with opp____on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
110. ba____rd barbecue *n.* a whole space behind and belonging to a house
111. an in____ve to work hard *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
112. acc____te a chemical reaction *v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
113. ca____n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals

ANSWERS: 105. roughly, 106. planet, 107. hydrogen, 108. co-location, 109. opposition, 110. backyard, 111. incentive, 112. accelerate, 113. carbon

114. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
115. d__e situation *adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
116. co_____e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
117. nutrient-de__e foods *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them
118. du_____te his action *v.* to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something
119. extremely co_____t device *adj.* closely and firmly united or packed together, using very little space; smaller than is usual
120. int_____ent fever *adj.* occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady; stopping and starting periodically; sporadic
121. con_____ce as a teacher *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
122. less fo_____te person *adj.* having good luck or lucky
123. ad_____e the technology *v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
124. plenty of in_____or space *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
125. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
126. re_____ve factors *adj.* considered and evaluated through comparison with something else

ANSWERS: 114. nation, 115. dire, 116. combine, 117. dense, 118. duplicate, 119. compact, 120. intermittent, 121. confidence, 122. fortunate, 123. advance, 124. interior, 125. unfortunately, 126. relative

127. co____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
128. ca____n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
129. as____t a free society *v.* to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true
130. two op____d characters *adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
131. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
132. fo____st expert *adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
133. air de____d of pollution *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
134. do____te possession *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
135. w__t per square meter *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
136. rel____ty test *n.* the quality of being able to be trusted or believed in doing what someone desires or requires
137. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 127. communal, 128. carbon, 129. assert, 130. opposed, 131. communal, 132. foremost, 133. devoid, 134. dominate, 135. watt, 136. reliability, 137. honor

138. si____te a future scenario *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
139. a com_____ve price *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
140. in_____te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
141. global em_____ons of greenhouse gases *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
142. hy__o turbine *n.* a prefix denoting water or relating to water, usually used in scientific or technical terminology
143. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
144. dec_____ze its energy system *v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy
145. sl_____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
146. ma_____st as the word *v.* to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions

ANSWERS: 138. simulate, 139. competitive, 140. institute, 141. emission, 142. hydro, 143. perception, 144. decarbonize, 145. slightly, 146. manifest

147. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
148. la_____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
149. global av_____on industry *n.* the activity or process of designing, building, flying, and maintaining aircraft
150. ove_____ify the problem *v.* to describe or explain something in a way that is too simple and no longer holds true
151. de_____e my own life *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
152. op_____e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
153. b__k data transfer *n.* the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something
154. civil av_____on *n.* the activity or process of designing, building, flying, and maintaining aircraft
155. de_____y troops for battle *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
156. co_____nt department *n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
157. tre_____us popularity *adj.* very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
158. the first round of the com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

ANSWERS: 147. industrious, 148. largely, 149. aviation, 150. oversimplify, 151. devote, 152. operate, 153. bulk, 154. aviation, 155. deploy, 156. complaint, 157. tremendous, 158. competition

159. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
160. cou_____cal government spending *adj.* describes policies, actions, or industries that oppose or mitigate the effects of an economic cycle, meaning that they work to support economic growth during times of recession and reduce it during times of expansion
161. boost my con_____ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
162. de__e forests *adj.* containing a large number of people or something with little space between them
163. do_____te over the weak *v.* to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something
164. financial in_____ves *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
165. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
166. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

ANSWERS: 159. honor, 160. countercyclical, 161. confidence, 162. dense, 163. dominate, 164. incentive, 165. panel, 166. planet

167. a convex l__s *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
168. tra_____ion speed *n.* the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television
169. a wire g__d *n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region
170. in____or decoration *n.* the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
171. co_____ty tax *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
172. und_____ate an enemy *v.* to think or suppose that a quantity, price, or size is smaller than it is
173. bo__t the economy *v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
174. an of____re oil field *adj.* situated at or happening in the sea, not far from the shore or land; (of winds) coming from the land
175. de____e a job offer *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
176. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 167. lens, 168. transmission, 169. grid, 170. interior, 171. commodity, 172. underestimate, 173. boost, 174. offshore, 175. decline, 176. fundamental

177. c__p herbicide *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
178. increase sl____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
179. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
180. de___e all of my energies *v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
181. in_____l a chairperson *v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
182. warm su_____ne *n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
183. com_____ve position *adj.* involving competition or competitiveness
184. financial cr____s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
185. no_____e else to go *adv.* not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere
186. tu_____e aerofoil *n.* a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas
187. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
188. severe cr____c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

ANSWERS: 177. crop, 178. slightly, 179. transition, 180. devote, 181. install, 182. sunshine, 183. competitive, 184. crisis, 185. nowhere, 186. turbine, 187. rev, 188. critic

189. mi_____l rights *n.* a solid inorganic substance occurring in nature having a definite chemical composition
190. the tra_____ion gears of a car *n.* the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television
191. morning su_____ne *n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun
192. si_____te climate change *v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes
193. a de_____nt person *adj.* relying on someone or something else for support or aid
194. tr_____on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
195. di_____t sleep *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
196. co_____e chemically with another substance *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
197. st_____e at low temperature *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

ANSWERS: 189. mineral, 190. transmission, 191. sunshine, 192. simulate, 193. dependent, 194. trillion, 195. disrupt, 196. combine, 197. storage

198. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
199. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
200. re_____le subscriptions *adj.* capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
201. pr_____ly affect adults *adv.* mainly
202. di_____t a well-ordered condition *v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance
203. 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
204. restaurant bu_____ut *n.* the process of constructing, expanding, or renovating a physical structure, such as a building or infrastructure for utilities
205. work pe____t *v.* to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
206. dec_____ze their manufacturing process *v.* to stop or reduce emitting carbon gases, especially carbon dioxide, by replacing energy made from fossil fuels with renewable energy

ANSWERS: 198. economical, 199. industrious, 200. renewable, 201. primarily, 202. disrupt, 203. policy, 204. build-out, 205. permit, 206. decarbonize

207. international co_____ty *n.* a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold
208. false cl__m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
209. bo__t flexibility *v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
210. tr_____it the disease *v.* to send or forward an electronic signal; to pass something from one person or thing to another
211. a dr_____ic rescue at sea *adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
212. improve rel_____ty *n.* the quality of being able to be trusted or believed in doing what someone desires or requires
213. the vo_____e spiked *n.* the difference in the force of an electric current between two points
214. re_____nt population *adj.* able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
215. cr____s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
216. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

ANSWERS: 207. commodity, 208. claim, 209. boost, 210. transmit, 211. dramatic, 212. reliability, 213. voltage, 214. resilient, 215. crisis, 216. infrastructure

217. cou_____cal policies *adj.* describes policies, actions, or industries that oppose or mitigate the effects of an economic cycle, meaning that they work to support economic growth during times of recession and reduce it during times of expansion
218. unintended con_____ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
219. de_____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
220. global in_____on *n.* a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air
221. a medical ins_____ion *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
222. organic agr_____re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
223. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
224. la_____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
225. fo_____te situation *adj.* having good luck or lucky
226. a c__l-fired ship *n.* a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat

ANSWERS: 217. countercyclical, 218. consequence, 219. decline, 220. inflation, 221. installation, 222. agriculture, 223. fundamental, 224. largely, 225. fortunate, 226. coal

227. live an ab_____nt life *adj.* present in great quantity
228. fl_____te prices *v.* to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably
229. ec_____cs professor *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
230. keep fo_____st in mind *adj.* most important, leading, or prominent
231. save a pe__y *n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent
232. 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
233. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
234. cost ba_____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
235. suffer d__e poverty *adj.* extremely serious or urgent; critical, grave, or disastrous
236. opp_____on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

ANSWERS: 227. abundant, 228. fluctuate, 229. economics, 230. foremost, 231. penny, 232. optimist, 233. claim, 234. barrier, 235. dire, 236. opposition

237. turn cattle out to gr__e *v.* to feed on grass or other vegetation, especially by nibbling at it repeatedly; to break the skin of a body part by scraping
238. many tr____ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
239. a co____t camera *adj.* closely and firmly united or packed together, using very little space; smaller than is usual
240. ef_____nt operation *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
241. de___y safety measures *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
242. hy_____en gas *n.* the chemical element that is the lightest gas is colorless, odorless, tasteless, and combines with oxygen to form water
243. dose-de_____nt induction *adj.* relying on someone or something else for support or aid
244. welfare ec_____cs *n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
245. the inland of a co_____nt *n.* one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

ANSWERS: 237. graze, 238. trillion, 239. compact, 240. efficient, 241. deploy, 242. hydrogen, 243. dependent, 244. economics, 245. continent

246. 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
247. economically fe_____le *adj.* capable of being or likely to be made, done, or achieved
248. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
249. ins_____ion fee *n.* the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
250. exp_____al function *adj.* becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents
251. de___d of life *adj.* completely lacking or free from something
252. ge_____hy class *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
253. def_____ve answer *adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed
254. pe__y stock *n.* a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent

ANSWERS: 246. policy, 247. feasible, 248. massive, 249. installation, 250. exponential, 251. devoid, 252. geography, 253. definitive, 254. penny

255. rel_____ce in buying *n.* a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking
256. a l__s with a wide angle *n.* a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
257. play in the ba_____rd *n.* a whole space behind and belonging to a house
258. vitamin and mi_____ls *n.* a solid inorganic substance occurring in nature having a definite chemical composition
259. official sta_____cs *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
260. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
261. notable in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
262. co_____nt about price-gouging *n.* a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something
263. sta_____cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 255. reluctance, 256. lens, 257. backyard, 258. mineral, 259. statistics, 260. rev, 261. instance, 262. complaint, 263. statistics

264. network bu_____ut *n.* the process of constructing, expanding, or renovating a physical structure, such as a building or infrastructure for utilities
265. intraspecific com_____on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
266. int_____ent Wi-Fi *adj.* occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady; stopping and starting periodically; sporadic

ANSWERS: 264. build-out, 265. competition, 266. intermittent

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. All peaceful cooperation is based _____ on mutual trust.
adv. mainly
2. The Prime Minister _____ his regret for his neighbors
v. to show something such as feeling, attitude, quality, etc. clearly through signs or actions
3. People select Internet _____ not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.
n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
4. We had a _____ time yesterday.
adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
5. The photographer took this photo using a telephoto _____.
n. a transparent optical device with curved sides, used in an optical instrument that makes objects seem larger, smaller, clearer, etc.; (metaphor) the basic thoughts or mindsets through which someone sees or understands the environment or situation
6. Jockey's superior _____ brought him victory.
n. a particular way or art of doing something that needs skill
7. Skill and _____ are an unconquered army.
n. the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

ANSWERS: 1. primarily, 2. manifested, 3. providers, 4. tremendous, 5. lens, 6. technique, 7. confidence

8. The painter focused on the moody _____ of abandoned buildings in his work.
n. the inside or inner part of something; the space within the walls of a building
9. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.
n. a particular example or single occurrence of something
10. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.
adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid
11. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
12. The company's _____ of new stores nationwide allowed them to increase its market reach.
n. the process of constructing, expanding, or renovating a physical structure, such as a building or infrastructure for utilities
13. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.
v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
14. The production of _____ fuels requires massive volumes of fresh water.
adj. capable of being renewed, extended, or replaced
15. The mobile application industry is a _____ one.
adj. involving competition or competitiveness

ANSWERS: 8. interiors, 9. instances, 10. massive, 11. modern, 12. build-out, 13. claim, 14. renewable, 15. competitive

16. He _____ himself to studying the history of ancient civilizations.
- v.* to commit or dedicate oneself or one's time, effort, or energy to a particular task or purpose
17. The break in the ____ threatened the valley.
- n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
18. We _____ a cease-fire.
- v.* to come to an end or close; to reach a judgment or opinion by reasoning
19. The new president was _____ immediately after the national election.
- v.* to fix furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; put into an office or a position
20. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
- n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
21. The government provided a considerable _____ to the company.
- n.* money paid by a government or an organization as part of the cost of something to aid or encourage it to happen
22. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
23. _____ pattern roads often appear in urban areas.
- n.* a pattern of regularly spaced horizontal and vertical lines; a system of high tension cables by which electrical power is distributed throughout a region

ANSWERS: 16. devoted, 17. dam, 18. concluded, 19. installed, 20. Climate, 21. subsidy, 22. statistics, 23. Grid

24. Since the 1990s, the Internet has continued to experience _____ growth.
adj. becoming more and more rapid; of or involving mathematical exponents
25. This region has many _____ offering higher education.
n. an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
26. The company undertakes _____ development for software companies in many countries.
adj. situated at or happening in the sea, not far from the shore or land; (of winds) coming from the land
27. He moved his body _____ to the left.
adv. in a small degree or extent; a little
28. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
29. The teacher will not _____ any students to leave the classroom early.
v. to allow for something to happen or be done; (noun) the act of giving a formal, usually written, authorization
30. The product developed through years of research continues to _____ the market.
v. to make a machine or system work by using electricity; to make someone extremely enthusiastic about or interested in something
31. He was pretty _____ to pass the exam.
adj. having good luck or lucky

ANSWERS: 24. exponential, 25. institutes, 26. offshore, 27. slightly, 28. planet, 29. permit, 30. electrify, 31. fortunate

32. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.
- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
33. The small island nation is heavily _____ on tourism as its main source of income.
- adj.* relying on someone or something else for support or aid
34. It was the _____ of a dinosaur tooth.
- n.* any preserved remains, impression, or trace of any once-living thing that has become hard and turned into rock
35. The statement had a _____ impact on house prices.
- adj.* very sudden, very excellent, or full of action and excitement
36. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.
- n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
37. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.
- adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
38. Global _____ is rising in virtually every industry.
- n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
39. 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

ANSWERS: 32. panel, 33. dependent, 34. fossil, 35. dramatic, 36. carbon, 37. fundamental, 38. competition, 39. optimist

40. I received a parcel of great _____.

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

41. Sow early for an early _____.

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

42. I've been thinking all day and getting _____.

adv. not in, at, or to any place; not anywhere

43. We can _____ this possibility from those consumptions.

v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

44. The country has _____ oil and natural gas resources.

adj. present in great quantity

45. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

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

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

47. 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

ANSWERS: 40. bulk, 41. crop, 42. nowhere, 43. eliminate, 44. abundant, 45. unfortunately, 46. graze, 47. policy

48. Education is the _____ of civilization.
- n.* the act or process of sending something from one person or place to another; the process of broadcasting over the airwaves, as in radio or television
49. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.
- n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
50. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.
- adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
51. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
- n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
52. His class will cover an introduction to agricultural _____.
- n.* the branch of social science that deals with the production, consumption, and transfer of goods and services
53. I'm strongly _____ to that plan.
- adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
54. The new service helped _____ net income by 10%.
- v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
55. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.
- v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

ANSWERS: 48. transmission, 49. transition, 50. economical, 51. barrier, 52. economics, 53. opposed, 54. boost, 55. declines

56. The _____ economic straits called for immediate action.

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

57. The entire mountain is covered in _____ rainforest.

adj. containing a large number of people or something with little space between them

58. The _____ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

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

59. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.

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

60. The perspective of his right brain _____ his consciousness.

v. to have or control a lot of power and influence over somebody or something

61. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

62. I found a lucky _____ on the ground while walking to work this morning.

n. a small denomination of currency or coin, typically the smallest unit of a currency system; in the US, a coin worth one cent

63. The government announced a policy to control the rise in _____ prices.

n. a product or a raw material that can be traded, bought, or sold

64. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.

v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

ANSWERS: 56. dire, 57. dense, 58. opposition, 59. trillion, 60. dominates, 61. operate, 62. penny, 63. commodity, 64. analyze

65. The _____ priority is the safety of the passengers.

adj. most important, leading, or prominent

66. She _____ that she was innocent, despite the evidence against her.

v. to state something firmly and confidently, often in a way that is intended to convince others that it is true

67. The company's _____ to invest in new technology kept them from competing with other businesses.

n. a feeling of unwillingness or hesitation, especially when faced with a decision or undertaking

68. This country _____ its weapons in the east region.

v. to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

69. The new washing machine is much more _____ than the old one.

adj. performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

70. I need to _____ this document before I send it.

v. to make or be an exact copy of something; to reproduce something

71. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

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

72. He grows vegetables in his _____.

n. a whole space behind and belonging to a house

ANSWERS: 65. foremost, 66. asserted, 67. reluctance, 68. deployed, 69. efficient, 70. duplicate, 71. critics, 72. backyard

73. The _____ and the oxygen react and then form water.
n. the chemical element that is the lightest gas is colorless, odorless, tasteless, and combines with oxygen to form water
74. The room was _____ of any furniture or decorations.
adj. completely lacking or free from something
75. The _____ rain made it difficult to plan a picnic.
adj. occurring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady; stopping and starting periodically; sporadic
76. The government tried to _____ the commercialization of this development.
v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
77. She is a _____ person and has always bounced back from setbacks.
adj. able to withstand or recover quickly from difficult conditions
78. Most countries prohibit sexual activity between certain close _____.
adj. considered and evaluated through comparison with something else
79. Nevada is _____ a desert state.
adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree
80. There are five distinct _____ at five unique wavelengths.
n. the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
81. The economy is growing at a supercharged _____.
n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

ANSWERS: 73. hydrogen, 74. devoid, 75. intermittent, 76. accelerate, 77. resilient, 78. relatives, 79. largely, 80. emissions, 81. pace

82. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
83. People may _____ natural phenomena due to the improved accessibility of knowledge.
v. to describe or explain something in a way that is too simple and no longer holds true
84. Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega_____ solar power.
n. a standard unit for measuring electrical power
85. The incident threw questions on her motivations and _____.
n. the quality of being able to be trusted or believed in doing what someone desires or requires
86. _____ is the foundation of our economy.
n. the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
87. The _____ plant generates electricity by harnessing the power of water.
n. a prefix denoting water or relating to water, usually used in scientific or technical terminology
88. The _____ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.
n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree
89. Two countries acted together as if by _____.
adj. closely and firmly united or packed together, using very little space; smaller than is usual

ANSWERS: 82. Communal, 83. oversimplify, 84. watt, 85. reliability, 86. Agriculture, 87. hydro, 88. reduction, 89. compact

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

adj. unattractive in appearance; unpleasant to look at

91. I'm so sorry to _____ you when you're pretty busy.

v. to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

92. The politician was accused of _____ for making false promises during his campaign.

n. the act of misleading or tricking someone, often by creating a false impression or concealing the truth; a fraudulent or dishonest action

93. 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

94. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

95. Our farm experienced a _____ of locusts this year.

n. any epidemic disease with a high death rate; (also called pest) a serious, sometimes fatal, infection spread by rats that causes fever and swellings on the body

96. They have no _____ to win the game.

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

ANSWERS: 90. ugly, 91. disrupt, 92. deception, 93. crisis, 94. rev, 95. plague, 96. incentive

97. It is not _____ and inefficient to complete many tasks at once.

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

98. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.

n. a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses

99. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

100. Hydrogen and oxygen _____ to form water.

v. to join or merge to form a single thing or group

101. The engine did not start because the _____ was flat.

n. a device that is placed inside a car, gadget, equipment, etc. and that provides electrical power to them

102. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

103. I claim on my _____ that it is true.

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

104. She did well on her _____ exam.

n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth

ANSWERS: 97. feasible, 98. perception, 99. sector, 100. combine, 101. battery, 102. economy, 103. honor, 104. geography

105. He had painted the wood to _____ stone.

- v.* to make a pretense of someone's behavior or looks; to reproduce something that exists in real life using computers, models, etc., usually for study or training purposes

106. We have to seek methods to _____ its fossil fuel economy.

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

107. _____ panels have greatly improved not only in performance but also in durability.

- adj.* of, from, or relating to the sun

108. We store customer data in cloud _____.

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

109. The _____ was so bright that I had to wear sunglasses to protect my eyes.

- n.* the direct light and heat that comes from the sun

110. The study provided _____ proof of the effectiveness of the new drug.

- adj.* serving to provide a final solution or to end a situation; final and not able to be changed

111. They frequently _____ their abilities and felt inferior.

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

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

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

ANSWERS: 105. simulate, 106. decarbonize, 107. Solar, 108. storage, 109. sunshine, 110. definitive, 111. underestimated, 112. nation

113. Five miles is _____ similar to eight kilometers.

adv. approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

114. Parents often _____ their characteristics to their children.

v. to send or forward an electronic signal; to pass something from one person or thing to another

115. The robust economy of the country is based on its _____ resources.

n. a solid inorganic substance occurring in nature having a definite chemical composition

116. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.

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

117. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

n. a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy

118. She filed a _____ with the manager about the poor service.

n. a statement that expresses dissatisfaction or annoyance about something

119. Investment in index funds can often be a hedge against _____.

n. a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air

120. Flight across the _____ was a daring adventure in its day.

n. one of the earth's large landmasses; (adjective) abstaining from your feelings, especially your desire to have sex

ANSWERS: 113. roughly, 114. transmit, 115. mineral, 116. infrastructure, 117. fuel, 118. complaint, 119. inflation, 120. continent

121. Stock prices _____ daily based on market demand and supply.
v. to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably
122. We combust _____ and other fossil fuels to generate electricity.
n. a combustible black or brownish-black sedimentary rock that is found below the ground and burnt to produce heat
123. Their team specializes in demand _____ for our products.
n. a prediction or statement about how something, such as the weather, will develop or what will happen in the future; (verb) to predict the future in advance
124. The Queen attested the _____ of state ministers to their portfolios.
n. the act or process of fixing furniture, a machine, or a piece of equipment into position so that it can be used; the act or process of putting into an office or a position
125. These economic activities had disastrous environmental _____.
n. the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
126. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.
v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
127. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
128. The oil price continued their downward _____.
n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

ANSWERS: 121. fluctuate, 122. coal, 123. forecasts, 124. installation, 125. consequences, 126. advance, 127. industrious, 128. trend

129. The government's _____ measures helped prevent a deep recession during the economic downturn.

adj. describes policies, actions, or industries that oppose or mitigate the effects of an economic cycle, meaning that they work to support economic growth during times of recession and reduce it during times of expansion

130. Connecting batteries in series increase the _____ of the circuit.

n. the difference in the force of an electric current between two points

131. The new _____ of the IT departments is expected to increase efficiency and collaboration.

n. a situation in which two or more different organizations or departments share the same physical location or office space, especially for convenience or cost-saving purposes

132. The _____ expert analyzed the fluid around the aircraft.

n. the activity or process of designing, building, flying, and maintaining aircraft

133. The wind _____ were spinning rapidly, generating clean energy for the nearby town.

n. a machine that rotates to generate power from fluids such as water or gas

ANSWERS: 129. countercyclical, 130. voltage, 131. co-location, 132. aviation, 133. turbines