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Session 1: Word List

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

out-of-date

adj. no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant

synonym: obsolete, outdated, old-fashioned

(1) **out-of-date** information, (2) **out-of-date** fashion

The technology used in this computer is **out-of-date** and needs an upgrade.

bunch

n. a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

synonym: group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

random

adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

synonym: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

brag

v. to say something in a boastful manner, to impress others, or make oneself feel superior

synonym: boast, swagger, vaunt

(1) **brag** to each other, (2) **brag** about my knowledge

Despite his impressive achievements, he refrained from **bragging** about his success.

promote

v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank

synonym: boost, raise, advertise

(1) **promote** a better relationship, (2) **promote** bad behavior

The government should do more to **promote** sustainable agribusiness.

reputation

n. the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors

synonym: fame, standing, esteem

(1) **reputation** risk, (2) cloud his **reputation**

She has a good **reputation** for being one of the best chefs in the city.

perceive

v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses

synonym: sense, discern, feel

(1) **perceive** a threat, (2) **perceive** light

Australia is widely **perceived** as having low levels of corruption.

colleague

n. one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

synonym: coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

engage

v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something

synonym: confront, employ, amuse

(1) **engage** in environmental protection activities,

(2) **engage** a new employee

Many multinational companies are **engaged** in the reconstruction of that country.

interaction

n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them

synonym: dealings, exchange, relations

(1) the **interaction** between man and his environment,

(2) **interaction** among human beings

The **interaction** of the two groups is good for brainstorming.

upload

v. to transfer digital data or files from a local computer or device to a remote server or network; the act of transferring such data or files

synonym: transfer, load up

(1) **upload** files, (2) **upload** documents to the portal

I need to **upload** these pictures to my computer to edit them.

narrative

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

synonym: the tale, chronology, annals

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

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

algorithm

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

synonym: logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing
We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

intentional

adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent

synonym: deliberate, intended, preplanned

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

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

decision

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

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym: achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations
Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

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.

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.

amazing

adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

(1) **amazing** advances, (2) the most **amazing** feeling

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

accomplished

adj. having completed a task or achieved a goal successfully; skilled or proficient at something

synonym: achieved, finished, completed

(1) **accomplished** at a very early age, (2) **accomplished** goal

She felt **accomplished** after finishing her book.

launch

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

synonym: start, initiate, begin

(1) **launch** a spaceship into orbit, (2) **launch** a big attack

The company is set to **launch** its new product line next month.

outcome

n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.

synonym: result, consequence, effect

(1) improved student **outcomes**, (2) a desirable **outcome**

They awaited news of the **outcome** of the election.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

reliable

adj. worthy of being relied on; trustworthy

synonym: dependable, trustworthy, dedicated

(1) **reliable** access, (2) guarantee **reliable** delivery
Trains are **reliable**, inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.

ceramics

n. objects made from materials such as clay that are hardened by heat, often to create functional or decorative items

synonym: ceramicware, pottery, earthenware

(1) **ceramics** industry, (2) **ceramics** class

She makes beautiful **ceramics** in her studio and sells them at local markets.

concrete

adj. existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

synonym: actual, factual, hardened

(1) a **concrete** noun, (2) **concrete** examples

The president asked for a more **concrete** plan.

confusion

n. the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

synonym: disorder, disarray, chaos

(1) administrative **confusion**, (2) in great **confusion**

The sudden policy change has caused **confusion** among employees.

midwife

n. a person trained to assist women during childbirth and to provide care for the mother and baby

synonym: obstetrician, gynecologist, accoucheuse

(1) professional **midwife**, (2) serve as **midwife**

The clinical **midwife** assisted with the delivery of the baby.

introductory

adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

synonym: beginning, preliminary, initial

(1) **introductory** biology text, (2) product **introductory** sale

The **introductory** class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.

grief

n. a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

synonym: anguish, desperation, dismay

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

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

counselor

n. a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems

synonym: advisor, consultant, therapist

(1) **counselor** office, (2) admissions **counselor**

She is a school **counselor** dedicated to helping students navigate academic and personal challenges.

stump

v. to cause to be perplexed or confused; (noun) the base part of a tree that remains standing after the tree has been felled

synonym: mix up

(1) the riddle **stumped** everybody, (2) we are **stumped** with the problem

He is **stumped** with the question.

unique

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

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

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

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

talent

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

synonym: endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

acquire

v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

synonym: attain, earn, catch

(1) **acquire** knowledge, (2) **acquire** a new company

Children **acquire** language at a fantastic rate.

educate

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

synonym: instruct, teach, train

(1) **educate** student, (2) **educate** public

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

decide

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

synonym: choose, determine, settle

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

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

transformation

n. a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

synonym: change, conversion, renewal

(1) the **transformation** of a tadpole into a frog, (2) cast a **transformation** spell

Understanding unitary **transformations** of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

grade

n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.

synonym: score, rate, degree

(1) boys in the twelfth **grade**, (2) students at all **grade** levels

Departments may set requirements for a higher **grade** point average.

foster

v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

synonym: nurture, nourish, cultivate

(1) **foster** a better relationship, (2) **foster** two kids

The pastor contributed to **fostering** the sense of a community embracing all classes.

empathy

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

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

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

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

compassion

n. a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck

synonym: pity, empathy, understanding

(1) feel **compassion** for the poor, (2) have **compassion** toward the accident

His infinite love and **compassion** for everyone never weary.

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym: donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

sustainable

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

synonym: continuable, enduring, tolerable

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

The government should do more to support environmentally

sustainable agriculture.

fashion

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

synonym: style, manner, fad

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

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

depart

v. to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

synonym: go away, leave, vacate

(1) arrive and **depart** on time, (2) **depart** from the faith

We **departed** before the temperature fell below zero.

innovative

adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.

synonym: creative, ingenious, inventive

(1) use of **innovative** technology, (2) stylistically **innovative** works

The Prime Minister stressed the need to create **innovative** industries.

loyalty

n. the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something

synonym: faithfulness, devotion, allegiance

(1) **loyalty** program, (2) earn his **loyalty**

He has always shown great **loyalty** to his friends and family.

prominent

adj. important, well-known, or noticeable

synonym: notable, distinguished, prominent

(1) **prominent** figure, (2) play a **prominent** role

The media frequently interviewed **prominent** scientists.

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.

asset

n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property

synonym: aid, resource, equity

(1) frozen **assets**, (2) liquid **assets** of the company

A sense of humor is an invaluable **asset** in this job.

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

flexibility

n. the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

synonym: elasticity, adaptability, resilience

(1) mental **flexibility**, (2) the **flexibility** of the body

We dealt with those problems with speed and **flexibility**.

resume

v. to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption

synonym: continue, reopen, restart

(1) **resume** an office, (2) **resume** a relationship

We **resumed** negotiations after a temporary break.

opportune

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

synonym: suitable, timely, practical

(1) **opportune** occasion, (2) an **opportune** remark

The phone rang at the most **opportune** time.

differentiate

v. to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative

synonym: discern, distinguish, separate

(1) **differentiate** between fact and fiction, (2) **differentiate** a function

The teacher asked the students to **differentiate** between the two similar species of birds.

platform

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

synonym: stage, podium, forum

(1) an arrival **platform**, (2) a digital **platform** for enterprise

The speaker mounted the **platform** and started to speak.

align

v. to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

synonym: coordinate, regulate, adjust

(1) **align** the economic interest of each other, (2) **align** with a historical trend

Both parties are now entirely ideologically **aligned**.

creative

adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

synonym: imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym: business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

relevance

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

synonym: pertinence, applicability, connection

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

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

reinforce

v. to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

synonym: strengthen, fortify, support

(1) **reinforce** the military, (2) **reinforce** good behavior

We should **reinforce** the troops at the front line.

intimidate

v. to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do

synonym: frighten, threaten, terrify

(1) **intimidate** an opponent, (2) effectively **intimidate** a thief

The boss tried to **intimidate** his subordinate with threats.

process

n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

synonym: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

clarity

n. the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity

synonym: clearness, translucence, brightness

(1) lack of **clarity**, (2) sake of **clarity**

The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for **clarity**.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. con_____te to society | <i>v.</i> to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people |
| 2. sus_____le alternative fuel | <i>adj.</i> able to continue or be continued for a long time |
| 3. op_____ne occasion | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 4. improved student ou_____es | <i>n.</i> the result or effect of an action, event, etc. |
| 5. en___e in environmental protection activities | <i>v.</i> to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something |
| 6. chaotic env_____nt | <i>n.</i> the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live |
| 7. co_____te environment | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to a large company |
| 8. liquid as__ts of the company | <i>n.</i> something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property |
| 9. dif_____ate between fact and fiction | <i>v.</i> to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative |
| 10. students at all gr__e levels | <i>n.</i> a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc. |

ANSWERS: 1. contribute, 2. sustainable, 3. opportune, 4. outcome, 5. engage, 6. environment, 7. corporate, 8. asset, 9. differentiate, 10. grade

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| 11. re___e an office | <i>v.</i> to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption |
| 12. bombs fell at ra___m | <i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern |
| 13. admissions co____or | <i>n.</i> a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems |
| 14. the most am____g feeling | <i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire |
| 15. re____ce the military | <i>v.</i> to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger |
| 16. up___d files | <i>v.</i> to transfer digital data or files from a local computer or device to a remote server or network; the act of transferring such data or files |
| 17. re____ce good behavior | <i>v.</i> to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger |
| 18. the riddle st__ped everybody | <i>v.</i> to cause to be perplexed or confused;
(noun) the base part of a tree that remains standing after the tree has been felled |
| 19. de____p a skill | <i>v.</i> to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created |

ANSWERS: 11. resume, 12. random, 13. counselor, 14. amazing, 15. reinforce, 16. upload, 17. reinforce, 18. stump, 19. develop

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| 20. tra_____on phase | <i>n.</i> the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another |
| 21. sake of cl_____y | <i>n.</i> the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity |
| 22. th___e on pressure | <i>v.</i> to grow vigorously; to make steady progress |
| 23. cloud his rep_____on | <i>n.</i> the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors |
| 24. na_____ve poetry | <i>n.</i> a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story |
| 25. de___t from the faith | <i>v.</i> to go away or leave, especially to start a journey |
| 26. a selfish de_____on | <i>n.</i> the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options |
| 27. decision-making pr_____s | <i>n.</i> a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products |
| 28. de___e on a course of action | <i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |

ANSWERS: 20. transition, 21. clarity, 22. thrive, 23. reputation, 24. narrative, 25. depart, 26. decision, 27. process, 28. decide

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| 29. ce____cs class | <i>n.</i> objects made from materials such as clay that are hardened by heat, often to create functional or decorative items |
| 30. create a br__d logo | <i>n.</i> a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning |
| 31. acc____hed goal | <i>adj.</i> having completed a task or achieved a goal successfully; skilled or proficient at something |
| 32. co____al swimming pool | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 33. have gr__f and sorrow | <i>n.</i> a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies |
| 34. stylistically inn____ve works | <i>adj.</i> introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc. |
| 35. administrative co____on | <i>n.</i> the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty |
| 36. int____on among human beings | <i>n.</i> the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them |
| 37. have no re____ce | <i>n.</i> the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand |
| 38. acc____sh military operations | <i>v.</i> to finish or achieve something successfully |
| 39. an op____ne remark | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |

ANSWERS: 29. ceramics, 30. brand, 31. accomplished, 32. communal, 33. grief, 34. innovative, 35. confusion, 36. interaction, 37. relevance, 38. accomplish, 39. opportune

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| 40. co_____or office | <i>n.</i> a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems |
| 41. lack of cl_____y | <i>n.</i> the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity |
| 42. a bu__h of trees | <i>n.</i> a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together |
| 43. a desirable ou_____e | <i>n.</i> the result or effect of an action, event, etc. |
| 44. lo_____y program | <i>n.</i> the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something |
| 45. co_____al combination of funds | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 46. former co_____ue | <i>n.</i> one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business |
| 47. guarantee re_____le delivery | <i>adj.</i> worthy of being relied on; trustworthy |
| 48. am_____g advances | <i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire |
| 49. a co_____te noun | <i>adj.</i> existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement |
| 50. int_____ory biology text | <i>adj.</i> intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point |
| 51. em_____y for patients | <i>n.</i> the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation |

ANSWERS: 40. counselor, 41. clarity, 42. bunch, 43. outcome, 44. loyalty, 45. communal, 46. colleague, 47. reliable, 48. amazing, 49. concrete, 50. introductory, 51. empathy

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| 52. ensure a smooth tra_____on | <i>n.</i> the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another |
| 53. ed_____e student | <i>v.</i> to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc. |
| 54. the br__d of the new car | <i>n.</i> a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning |
| 55. re_____ce category | <i>n.</i> the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand |
| 56. re_____le access | <i>adj.</i> worthy of being relied on; trustworthy |
| 57. out_____te information | <i>adj.</i> no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant |
| 58. re___e a relationship | <i>v.</i> to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption |
| 59. la___h a spaceship into orbit | <i>v.</i> to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time |
| 60. have com_____on toward the accident | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck |

ANSWERS: 52. transition, 53. educate, 54. brand, 55. relevance, 56. reliable, 57. out-of-date, 58. resume, 59. launch, 60. compassion

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| 61. frozen as__ts | <i>n.</i> something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property |
| 62. serve as mi____e | <i>n.</i> a person trained to assist women during childbirth and to provide care for the mother and baby |
| 63. de___e a question | <i>v.</i> to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |
| 64. the int_____on between man and his environment | <i>n.</i> the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them |
| 65. int_____te an opponent | <i>v.</i> to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do |
| 66. new fa_____n trends | <i>n.</i> a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular |
| 67. b__g about my knowledge | <i>v.</i> to say something in a boastful manner, to impress others, or make oneself feel superior |
| 68. in great co_____on | <i>n.</i> the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty |
| 69. ac_____e a new company | <i>v.</i> to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself |
| 70. an int_____al walk | <i>adj.</i> done, made or performed with purpose and intent |
| 71. personal na_____ve | <i>n.</i> a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story |

ANSWERS: 61. asset, 62. midwife, 63. decide, 64. interaction, 65. intimidate, 66. fashion, 67. brag, 68. confusion, 69. acquire, 70. intentional, 71. narrative

72. env_____nt affairs	<i>n.</i> the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
73. feel com_____on for the poor	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
74. al__n the economic interest of each other	<i>v.</i> to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
75. ind_____us student	<i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
76. a bu__h of schoolgirls	<i>n.</i> a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
77. rep_____on risk	<i>n.</i> the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
78. al_____hm for image processing	<i>n.</i> a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
79. th___e in a society	<i>v.</i> to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
80. the fle_____ty of the body	<i>n.</i> the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
81. fo___r a better relationship	<i>v.</i> to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
82. arrive and de___t on time	<i>v.</i> to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

ANSWERS: 72. environment, 73. compassion, 74. align, 75. industrious, 76. bunch, 77. reputation, 78. algorithm, 79. thrive, 80. flexibility, 81. foster, 82. depart

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| 83. collaborate with co_____ues | <i>n.</i> one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business |
| 84. ind_____us worker | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 85. la___h a big attack | <i>v.</i> to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time |
| 86. up___d documents to the portal | <i>v.</i> to transfer digital data or files from a local computer or device to a remote server or network; the act of transferring such data or files |
| 87. product int_____ory sale | <i>adj.</i> intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point |
| 88. acc_____sh a goal | <i>v.</i> to finish or achieve something successfully |
| 89. de_____p a strategy | <i>v.</i> to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created |
| 90. the RSA al_____hm | <i>n.</i> a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation |
| 91. raw ta___t | <i>n.</i> a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something |

ANSWERS: 83. colleague, 84. industrious, 85. launch, 86. upload, 87. introductory, 88. accomplish, 89. develop, 90. algorithm, 91. talent

92. un___e design	<i>adj.</i> being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
93. dif_____ate a function	<i>v.</i> to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative
94. cast a tra_____ion spell	<i>n.</i> a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
95. pe____ve light	<i>v.</i> to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
96. ac____e knowledge	<i>v.</i> to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
97. the tra_____ion of a tadpole into a frog	<i>n.</i> a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something
98. co____te right	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to a large company
99. pr____e a better relationship	<i>v.</i> to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
100. effectively int_____te a thief	<i>v.</i> to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do
101. an arrival pl_____rm	<i>n.</i> the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 92. unique, 93. differentiate, 94. transformation, 95. perceive, 96. acquire, 97. transformation, 98. corporate, 99. promote, 100. intimidate, 101. platform

102. b__g to each other	<i>v.</i> to say something in a boastful manner, to impress others, or make oneself feel superior
103. out_____te fashion	<i>adj.</i> no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant
104. em_____al distress	<i>adj.</i> relating to people's feelings
105. ce_____cs industry	<i>n.</i> objects made from materials such as clay that are hardened by heat, often to create functional or decorative items
106. pe_____ve a threat	<i>v.</i> to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
107. fo___r two kids	<i>v.</i> to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
108. play a pr_____nt role	<i>adj.</i> important, well-known, or noticeable
109. use of inn_____ve technology	<i>adj.</i> introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
110. pr_____s improvement	<i>n.</i> a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 102. brag, 103. out-of-date, 104. emotional, 105. ceramics, 106. perceive, 107. foster, 108. prominent, 109. innovative, 110. process

111. full of em____y	<i>n.</i> the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
112. a ra___m choice	<i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
113. a digital pl____rm for enterprise	<i>n.</i> the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
114. em_____al health	<i>adj.</i> relating to people's feelings
115. acc_____hed at a very early age	<i>adj.</i> having completed a task or achieved a goal successfully; skilled or proficient at something
116. int_____al destruction of evidence	<i>adj.</i> done, made or performed with purpose and intent
117. co____te examples	<i>adj.</i> existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
118. ed_____e public	<i>v.</i> to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
119. pr_____e bad behavior	<i>v.</i> to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
120. barren of cr____ve spirit	<i>adj.</i> relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 111. empathy, 112. random, 113. platform, 114. emotional, 115. accomplished, 116. intentional, 117. concrete, 118. educate, 119. promote, 120. creative

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| 121. mental fle_____ty | <i>n.</i> the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations |
| 122. a person of diverse ta____ts | <i>n.</i> a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something |
| 123. en____e a new employee | <i>v.</i> to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something |
| 124. al__n with a historical trend | <i>v.</i> to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line |
| 125. a un____e teacher | <i>adj.</i> being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else |
| 126. principles of sus_____le development | <i>adj.</i> able to continue or be continued for a long time |
| 127. a lot of gr__f | <i>n.</i> a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies |
| 128. cr_____ve writing | <i>adj.</i> relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something |
| 129. earn his lo____y | <i>n.</i> the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something |
| 130. de_____on authority | <i>n.</i> the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options |
| 131. boys in the twelfth gr__e | <i>n.</i> a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc. |

ANSWERS: 121. flexibility, 122. talent, 123. engage, 124. align, 125. unique, 126. sustainable, 127. grief, 128. creative, 129. loyalty, 130. decision, 131. grade

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| 132. con_____te a large sum of money
to the fund | v. | to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people |
| 133. we are st__ped with the problem | v. | to cause to be perplexed or confused;
(noun) the base part of a tree that remains standing after the tree has been felled |
| 134. pr_____nt figure | adj. | important, well-known, or noticeable |
| 135. go out of fa_____n | n. | a style that is popular at a particular time or place; the state of being popular |
| 136. professional mi_____e | n. | a person trained to assist women during childbirth and to provide care for the mother and baby |

ANSWERS: 132. contribute, 133. stump, 134. prominent, 135. fashion, 136. midwife

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.
adj. made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
2. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
3. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.
n. a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
4. Children _____ language at a fantastic rate.
v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
5. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.
n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
6. His infinite love and _____ for everyone never weary.
n. a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
7. The teacher asked the students to _____ between the two similar species of birds.
v. to recognize or establish as being distinct; to distinguish between things that are compared; to calculate a derivative

ANSWERS: 1. random, 2. amazing, 3. process, 4. acquire, 5. algorithm, 6. compassion, 7. differentiate

8. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
v. to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
9. Trains are _____ inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.
adj. worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
10. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.
adj. of or relating to a large company
11. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more _____.
adj. relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
12. The government should do more to _____ sustainable agribusiness.
v. to encourage or persuade people to like, buy, use, do, or support something; to raise someone to a higher position or rank
13. Departments may set requirements for a higher _____ point average.
n. a particular level of quality, size, importance, etc.
14. They awaited news of the _____ of the election.
n. the result or effect of an action, event, etc.
15. The sudden policy change has caused _____ among employees.
n. the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

ANSWERS: 8. launch, 9. reliable, 10. corporate, 11. creative, 12. promote, 13. grade, 14. outcome, 15. confusion

16. The technology used in this computer is _____ and needs an upgrade.

adj. no longer current or applicable; proceeding or produced in an older or previous time period and no longer considered fashionable, useful, or relevant

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

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

18. We _____ before the temperature fell below zero.

v. to go away or leave, especially to start a journey

19. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.

n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

20. We should _____ the troops at the front line.

v. to strengthen or support something, especially by adding another material to it; to make emotion, idea, etc. stronger

21. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

22. The media frequently interviewed _____ scientists.

adj. important, well-known, or noticeable

23. I need to _____ these pictures to my computer to edit them.

v. to transfer digital data or files from a local computer or device to a remote server or network; the act of transferring such data or files

ANSWERS: 16. out-of-date, 17. relevance, 18. departed, 19. platform, 20. reinforce, 21. opportune, 22. prominent, 23. upload

24. The clinical _____ assisted with the delivery of the baby.
n. a person trained to assist women during childbirth and to provide care for the mother and baby
25. The Prime Minister stressed the need to create _____ industries.
adj. introducing or using new methods, ideas, etc.
26. The law distinguishes between accidental and _____ killing.
adj. done, made or performed with purpose and intent
27. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
28. She couldn't _____ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.
v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
29. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
30. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
31. Both parties are now entirely ideologically _____.
v. to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
32. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.
v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

ANSWERS: 24. midwife, 25. innovative, 26. intentional, 27. introductory, 28. decide, 29. industrious, 30. thrive, 31. aligned, 32. fostering

33. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
34. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.
v. to finish or achieve something successfully
35. The _____ of the two groups is good for brainstorming.
n. the act of connecting with someone, mainly when working, playing, or spending time with them
36. She has a good _____ for being one of the best chefs in the city.
n. the general opinion that people have about someone or something, especially when this is based on their previous experiences or behaviors
37. The publisher will proofread most of this manuscript for _____.
n. the quality of being coherent and understandable; the quality of transparency or purity
38. We _____ negotiations after a temporary break.
v. to continue or begin anew after a pause or interruption
39. The president asked for a more _____ plan.
adj. existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
40. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 33. environment, 34. accomplish, 35. interaction, 36. reputation, 37. clarity, 38. resumed, 39. concrete, 40. develop

41. He is _____ with the question.

- v.* to cause to be perplexed or confused; (noun) the base part of a tree that remains standing after the tree has been felled

42. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my _____.

- n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

43. Each person has a unique _____ experience.

- n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

44. One bad apple spoils the whole _____.

- n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

45. Despite his impressive achievements, he refrained from _____ about his success.

- v.* to say something in a boastful manner, to impress others, or make oneself feel superior

46. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.

- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

47. _____ is also necessary to understand history.

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

48. Understanding unitary _____ of a normal matrix require considerable mathematical sophistication.

- n.* a complete change in form, nature, or appearance of someone or something

ANSWERS: 41. stumped, 42. colleague, 43. grief, 44. bunch, 45. bragging, 46. contribute, 47. Empathy, 48. transformations

49. He has always shown great _____ to his friends and family.
n. the quality of being devoted or faithful to someone or something
50. She is a school _____ dedicated to helping students navigate academic and personal challenges.
n. a person trained to give advice and help people deal with personal or emotional problems
51. The boss tried to _____ his subordinate with threats.
v. to make someone fearful or uneasy so that they will do something that you want them to do
52. The _____ handles multiple plot lines and has unpredictable ends.
n. a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
53. Many multinational companies are _____ in the reconstruction of that country.
v. to attract and keep someone's attention and interest; to participate in or obtain services of something
54. The school's mission is to _____ young children and prepare them for the future.
v. to provide or receive instruction or training over a period of time at a school, university, etc.
55. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
56. She felt _____ after finishing her book.
adj. having completed a task or achieved a goal successfully; skilled or proficient at something

ANSWERS: 49. loyalty, 50. counselor, 51. intimidate, 52. narrative, 53. engaged, 54. educate, 55. decision, 56. accomplished

57. She makes beautiful _____ in her studio and sells them at local markets.

n. objects made from materials such as clay that are hardened by heat, often to create functional or decorative items

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

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

59. That style is no longer in _____.

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

60. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

61. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

adj. relating to people's feelings

62. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

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

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

64. The nation's healthcare system is in _____ at the moment.

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

ANSWERS: 57. ceramics, 58. sustainable, 59. fashion, 60. Communal, 61. emotional, 62. brand, 63. unique, 64. transition

65. We dealt with those problems with speed and _____.
n. the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
66. Australia is widely _____ as having low levels of corruption.
v. to become aware or conscious of something through the senses
67. A sense of humor is an invaluable _____ in this job.
n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
68. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.
n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

ANSWERS: 65. flexibility, 66. perceived, 67. asset, 68. talents