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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### canyon

*n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river

*synonym* : gorge, valley, ravine

(1) twisty **canyon** road, (2) **canyon** of skyscrapers

The Grand **Canyon** has an awe-inspiring sight.

### repel

*v.* to force an attack or attacker to withdraw or retreat

*synonym* : turn away, fight off, force back

(1) **repel** bandits, (2) **repel** bad luck

This material can **repel** moisture swiftly.

### cliff

*n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river

*synonym* : crag, escarpment, precipice

(1) a bold **cliff**, (2) **cliff** diving

He stood at the edge of the **cliff** and looked out to sea.

### suddenly

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

*synonym* : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

**stumble**

v. to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily  
*synonym* : bumble, struggle, misstep

(1) **stumble** financially, (2) **stumble** through life  
She **stumbled** over the tree root.

**rim**

n. the edge of something in the shape of a more or less circular object

*synonym* : boundary, lip, edge

(1) **rim** of the ear, (2) crater **rim**

The water level was even with the basin's **rim**.

**plummet**

v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply

*synonym* : drop, plunge, fall

(1) **plummeting** sales, (2) **plummet** against other major currencies

The stock prices have **plummeted** in the last hour, causing concern for investors.

**grab**

v. to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way

*synonym* : clutch, snatch, grasp

(1) **grab** an audience, (2) **grab** an opportunity

Shall we **grab** a bite to eat?

**engineer**

n. a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software

*synonym* : architect, creator, builder

(1) a civil **engineer**, (2) **engineer** shortage

The **engineer** will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.

**savior**

n. a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth

*synonym* : hero, rescuer, redeemer

(1) political **savior**, (2) pray to the **savior**

The guru of that religion thought of himself as a **savior**.

## construct

*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

*synonym*: build, assemble, create

(1) **construct** a 3D image, (2) **construct** a dam

He **constructs** hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

## 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.

## 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.

## expand

*v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance

*synonym*: extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

## arid

*adj.* lacking in moisture or rainfall; dry and barren; lacking in interest, life, or vitality

*synonym*: dry, parched, barren

(1) **arid** terrain, (2) semi- **arid** zone

The desert is known for its **arid** climate and lack of rainfall.

## 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.

## divert

*v.* to change the course or direction of something, often away from a specific path or target; to entertain or amuse someone, often to distract them from a problem or concern; to appropriate something for a different purpose

*synonym*: distract, redirect, sidetrack

(1) **divert** attention, (2) **divert** an assault

Due to the road construction, we had to **divert** our course to get to the restaurant.

## erratic

*adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality

*synonym*: unpredictable, irregular, unstable

(1) **erratic** behavior, (2) **erratic** movements

The stock market has been behaving in an **erratic** manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.

## frequent

*adj.* happening constantly

*synonym*: periodic, recurring, routine

(1) **frequent** absence, (2) **frequent** use

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

## flood

*n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

*synonym*: deluge, downpour, overflow

(1) **flood** advisory, (2) a **flood** of questions

These heavy rains caused flash **floods** on several islands.

## unreliable

*adj.* not able to be trusted or depended on

*synonym*: inconsistent, erratic, undependable

(1) prove **unreliable**, (2) **unreliable** source of information

By incorrect assumption, statistics can be notoriously **unreliable**.

## 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.

## 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.

## continually

*adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly

*synonym*: repeatedly, frequently, constantly

(1) **continually** access information, (2) **continually**

changing world

Her tongue runs on **continually**.

## bureau

*n.* an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information

*synonym*: agency, department, office

(1) **bureau** of statistics, (2) travel **bureau**

I went to the **bureau** of motor vehicles to renew my driver's license.

## reclamation

*n.* the process of restoring or reclaiming something, particularly land or resources that have been damaged or depleted; the act of obtaining or recovering something that was lost or taken away

*synonym*: recovery, reutilization, restoration

(1) **reclamation** district, (2) coastal **reclamation**

The **reclamation** of the wetlands allowed for the restoration of the natural ecosystem.

## 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.

## swoop

v. to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon

*synonym*: dart, pounce

(1) **swoop** down the water slide, (2) **swoop** up the escalator  
The eagle **swooped** down from the sky to catch its prey.

## 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.

## hydroelectric

*adj.* relating to the generation of electricity from water power, usually by using turbines or generators powered by falling or flowing water; utilizing the energy of water to generate electricity

*synonym*: water-powered, turbine, dam-generated

(1) **hydroelectric** stations, (2) **hydroelectric** dam  
The town decided to convert its power source to **hydroelectric** energy.

## unprecedented

*adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before

*synonym*: novel, outstanding, unparalleled

(1) **unprecedented** boom, (2) **unprecedented** business opportunity  
**Unprecedented** amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

## cooperation

n. the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.

*synonym*: collaboration, affiliation, alliance

(1) **cooperation** with strategic partners, (2) thoroughgoing **cooperation**

The **cooperation** between businesses and universities created this groundbreaking product.

## government

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

*synonym*: administration, regime, state

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

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

## determinant

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

*synonym*: cause, factor, element

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

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

## gorge

*n.* a deep narrow valley between hills or mountains, usually with steep sides and a river running through it

*synonym*: canyon, gully, ravine

(1) cast the **gorge**, (2) the **gorges** of the Yangtse River

We must pass through the narrow **gorge** with a stream running through it.

## suited

*adj.* appropriate, fitting, or acceptable for a particular purpose or occasion; matched or corresponding to a specific person, dress, or circumstances

*synonym*: appropriate, fitting, suitable

(1) **suited** for the job, (2) well- **suited** personality

The job offer was perfectly **suited** to her skills and experience.

## arch

*n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

*synonym* : turn, bow, arc

(1) the **arch** of a person's foot, (2) an **arch-shaped** stone structure

The **arch** bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

## gravity

*n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

*synonym* : heaviness, attraction, weight

(1) the attraction of **gravity**, (2) preserve my **gravity**

The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of **gravity**.

## curve

*n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

*synonym* : bend, arc, turn

(1) learning **curve**, (2) yield **curve**

The **curve** in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

## upstream

*adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process

*synonym* : upriver, up-current

(1) swim **upstream**, (2) **upstream** direction

The company is investing heavily in **upstream** research and development.

## oncoming

*adj.* approaching or moving toward a particular person or place; relating to something that is coming toward the observer

*synonym* : approaching, incoming, imminent

(1) **oncoming** traffic, (2) **oncoming** disaster



The driver had to swerve to avoid an **oncoming** car that veered into his lane.

## structure

*n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

*synonym* : construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

## ancient

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

*synonym* : archaic, age-old, obsolete

(1) pre-Christian **ancient**, (2) **ancient** stories

They have been living near water since **ancient** times.

## enormous

*adj.* extremely large or great

*synonym* : huge, giant, gigantic

(1) **enormous** amount, (2) **enormous** potential

Shakespeare's output of poetry was **enormous**.

## labor

*n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

*synonym* : toil, toil, donkeywork

(1) seasonal **labor**, (2) manual **labor**

In several countries, child **labor** is a serious social problem.

## depression

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

*synonym* : recession, slump, despair

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

## depression

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

## strike

*v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon  
*synonym*: hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

## approval

*n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable

*synonym*: acceptance, endorsement, permission

(1) a written **approval**, (2) express my **approval**

This project took a lot of time to get the president's **approval**.

## flock

*n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds

*synonym*: herd, crowd, assembly

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

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

## arrival

*n.* the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective

*synonym*: reaching, appearance, coming

(1) **arrival** and departure gate, (2) **arrival** at a conclusion

Weather forecasters are predicting the **arrival** of a heatwave.

## makeshift

*adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised

*synonym*: improvised, temporary, ad-hoc

(1) **makeshift** shelter, (2) a **makeshift** solution

The team set up a **makeshift** tent for shelter during the storm.

## encampment

*n.* a temporary or semi-permanent settlement, especially a group of tents or other shelters used for lodging or

military purposes

*synonym*: campsite, bivouac, settlement

(1) military **encampment**, (2) temporary **encampment**

The **encampment** of soldiers in the field was a temporary arrangement.

## 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.

## scarce

*adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain

*synonym*: rare, limited, sparse

(1) **scarce** resources, (2) capital- **scarce** country

Fresh water is becoming increasingly **scarce** in many parts of the world.

## resident

*n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

*synonym*: dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

## heatstroke

*n.* a serious and potentially life-threatening condition caused by prolonged exposure to high temperatures, which symptoms include high body temperature, rapid heartbeat, and confusion or loss of consciousness

*synonym*: heat exhaustion, hyperthermia, sunstroke

(1) **heatstroke** symptoms, (2) **heatstroke** prevention

The hiker experienced a severe **heatstroke** after hiking in the desert for several hours without enough water.

## 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**.

## boulder

*n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion

*synonym*: rock, stone, clump

(1) **boulder** field, (2) lava **boulder**

The hikers had to climb over a **boulder** that was blocking their path.

## numerous

*adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number

*synonym*: many, considerable, countless

(1) **numerous** countries, (2) as **numerous** as the sand

These descriptions are based on a number of **numerous** assumptions.

## state-of-the-art

*adj.* characterized by the use of the latest and most advanced technology or methods; cutting-edge

*synonym*: advanced, cutting-edge, innovative

(1) **state-of-the-art** technology, (2) **state-of-the-art** software

The hospital has **state-of-the-art** equipment and facilities to ensure the best healthcare for its patients.

## reroute

*v.* to redirect or change the course or direction of something

*synonym*: redirect, divert, detour

(1) **reroute** traffic, (2) **reroute** path

Due to the traffic, the delivery truck had to **reroute** to avoid the congested roads.

## diversion

*n.* a change of direction or course; the act of redirecting attention or activity to a different topic or task; a form of entertainment or pastime that provides a temporary distraction or relief

*synonym*: distraction, deviation, entertainment

(1) **diversion** of resources, (2) mental **diversion**

The **diversion** of the river's path caused flooding downstream.

## tunnel

*n.* an underground or underwater passage, typically for trains or cars

*synonym*: passageway, underground passage

(1) **tunnel** construction work, (2) **tunnel** disease

The workers had to dig through solid rock to create the vehicular **tunnel** allowing the cars to pass through the mountain.

## blast

*n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise

*synonym*: blow, burst, explosion

(1) a **blast** of wind, (2) an icy **blast**

The **blast** shattered the laboratory equipment.

## tube

*n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape

*synonym*: pipe, hose, duct

(1) a capillary **tube**, (2) a glass **tube**

The **tube** train was packed with commuters during rush hour.

## 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.

## 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.

## **cubic**

*adj.* having the shape of a cube or being of three dimensions; measured in units that are the third power of a linear unit

*synonym* : three-dimensional, boxlike, cubical

(1) **cubic** meter, (2) **cubic** structure

The package was a **cubic** shape, which made it easier to stack on the shelf.

## **grueling**

*adj.* extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity

*synonym* : exhausting, draining, demanding

(1) **grueling** process, (2) a **grueling** campaign

The marathon was a **grueling** test of endurance.

## **succumb**

*v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury

*synonym* : surrender, break down, die

(1) **succumb** to cancer, (2) **succumb** to old age

He finally **succumbed** to temptation.

## **scorch**

*v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame

*synonym* : char, burn, singe

(1) **scorch** your clothes, (2) careful not to **scorch**

The sun **scorched** the desert, making it uninhabitable.

## **redirect**

*v.* to change the direction or course of something; to send in a different direction

*synonym* : turn, divert, steer

(1) **redirect** traffic, (2) **redirect** attention

The government decided to **redirect** funding towards education and healthcare.

## **loose**

*adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

*synonym* : relaxed, unconsolidated, open

(1) a **loose** tongue, (2) remove **loose** hair

The inspector discovered **loose** bolts under the fuel rods.

## foreman

*n.* a person in charge of a group of workers, typically in a factory, construction site, or other industrial settings; a juror who presides over jury deliberations and speaks for the group in court

*synonym*: supervisor, manager, overseer

(1) **foreman** position, (2) **foreman** duties

The **foreman** on the construction site is responsible for overseeing the workers and ensuring that the project is completed on time.

## descend

*v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

*synonym*: dip, drop, come down

(1) **descend** a steep hill, (2) **descend** by elevator

She was **descended** from an old Italian noble family.

## rubble

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

*synonym*: debris, ruins, wreckage

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

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

## jackhammer

*n.* a powerful mechanical tool used to break up pavement, concrete, or other hard materials, typically used in construction or demolition projects

*synonym*: pneumatic hammer, hammer drill

(1) handheld **jackhammer**, (2) loud **jackhammer** noise

The operator of the **jackhammer** wears noise-canceling headphones to protect their ears.

## dynamite

*n.* a powerful explosive made from nitroglycerin, typically used in construction and mining; something that causes

strong, sudden reactions or changes

*synonym* : explosives, blasting powder, TNT

(1) **dynamite-powered** engine, (2) **dynamite** fishing

The sound of the **dynamite** explosion could be heard for miles.

## circus

*n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment

*synonym* : fair, carnival, spectacle

(1) **circus** performer, (2) **circus** tent

The kids were excited to go to the **circus** and see the clowns and animals perform.

## acrobatic

*adj.* relating to or involving gymnastic or athletic feats performed with agility, balance, and coordination; agile, flexible, and graceful

*synonym* : nimble, agile, flexible

(1) **acrobatic** leaps, (2) **acrobatic** skills

The **acrobatic** performance was breathtaking and left the audience in awe.

## defy

*v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

*synonym* : challenge, resist, disobey

(1) **defy** gravity, (2) **defy** authority

She tried to **defy** her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.

## individual

*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

*synonym* : person, being, self

(1) a private **individual**, (2) **individual** freedom

As an **individual**, he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.



## glamorous

*adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

*synonym* : alluring, bewitching, enchanting

(1) **glamorous** movie stars, (2) cast **glamorous** eyes

The south coast is less **glamorous** yet has many clean and appealing hotels.

## 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.

## pave

*v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

*synonym* : surface, coat, cover

(1) **pave** a new path, (2) **pave** a smoother road

They **paved** the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.

## 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.

## interlocking

*adj.* fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole

*synonym* : connected, linked, joined

(1) **interlocking** braid, (2) **interlocking** mechanism

The **interlocking** puzzle pieces were difficult to separate.

## vary

*v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

*synonym* : alter, contrast, differ

(1) **vary** according to the age, (2) **vary** directly with the price  
Maximum heart rates **vary** a lot for each individual.

## steel

*n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

*synonym* : iron

(1) magnetic **steel**, (2) **steel** beam

This bridge is the third largest **steel** bridge in the world.

## schedule

*n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

*synonym* : agenda, program, itinerary

(1) a heavy **schedule**, (2) arrange my **schedule**

So far, the meeting is going according to **schedule**.

## reservoir

*n.* a natural or artificial lake used to store water for community use; a large or extra supply of something

*synonym* : pool, supply, repertoire

(1) a **reservoir** of facts, (2) water **reservoir**

The machine pumps up crude oil from a deep underground **reservoir**.

## completion

*n.* the act or process of finishing something that you are doing or making; the state of being finished

*synonym* : fruition, realization, accomplishment

(1) a **completion** ceremony, (2) scheduled **completion** date

The mayor announced that the renovation of the city hall is now nearing **completion**.

## human-made

*adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial

*synonym* : artificial, unnatural, manufactured

(1) **human-made** climate change, (2) the worst

**human-made** disaster

The bridge is a **human-made** structure and was built to span the river.

**employ**

*v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of

*synonym*: hire, engage, use

(1) **employ** job seekers, (2) **employ** a new method

When making arrests, police officers frequently **employ** excessive force.

**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.

**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.

**destroy**

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

*synonym*: demolish, ruin, obliterate

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

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

**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.

## devastate

*v.* to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage

*synonym*: demolish, destroy, crush

(1) **devastate** an area, (2) **devastate** the economy

Earthquakes can also trigger tsunamis, which **devastate** coastal areas.

## ecosystem

*n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment

(1) marine **ecosystem**, (2) change the **ecosystem**

Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the **ecosystem**.

## generate

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

*synonym*: create, yield, produce

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

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

## 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.

## 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.

## 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**.

## cast

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

*synonym*: throw, project, select

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

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

## shadow

*n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

*synonym*: shade, silhouette, outline

(1) **shadow** cast, (2) **shadow** puppetry

The tree cast a **shadow** over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.

## monumental

*adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive

*synonym*: massive, awesome, enormous

(1) **monumental** task, (2) **monumental** sculpture

Everyone, even non-scholars, knows Einstein's **monumental** contributions to physics.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. th\_\_\_e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
2. lava bo\_\_\_\_r *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
3. a written ap\_\_\_\_al *n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable
4. re\_\_\_\_nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
5. mon\_\_\_\_al sculpture *adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
6. careful not to sc\_\_\_h *v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
7. loud jac\_\_\_\_er noise *n.* a powerful mechanical tool used to break up pavement, concrete, or other hard materials, typically used in construction or demolition projects
8. unp\_\_\_\_ted business opportunity *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
9. c\_\_t a ballot *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
10. as nu\_\_\_\_us as the sand *adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number

ANSWERS: 1. thrive, 2. boulder, 3. approval, 4. resident, 5. monumental, 6. scorch, 7. jackhammer, 8. unprecedented, 9. cast, 10. numerous

11. preserve my gr\_\_\_\_y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
12. de\_\_\_\_y the ecosystem *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
13. en\_\_\_\_us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
14. handheld jac\_\_\_\_er *n.* a powerful mechanical tool used to break up pavement, concrete, or other hard materials, typically used in construction or demolition projects
15. mon\_\_\_\_al task *adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
16. ro\_\_\_\_y explain my idea *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
17. a civil en\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
18. political sa\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
19. de\_\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
20. unr\_\_\_\_le source of information *adj.* not able to be trusted or depended on

ANSWERS: 11. gravity, 12. destroy, 13. enormous, 14. jackhammer, 15. monumental, 16. roughly, 17. engineer, 18. savior, 19. decide, 20. unreliable

21. de\_\_\_\_yed evidence      *v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
22. ma\_\_\_\_\_e stars      *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
23. pray to the sa\_\_\_\_r      *n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth
24. a bl\_\_t of wind      *n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
25. st\_\_l beam      *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
26. c\_\_t a charming eye      *v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
27. capital-sc\_\_\_e country      *adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
28. con\_\_\_\_\_ly changing world      *adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
29. on\_\_\_\_\_ng traffic      *adj.* approaching or moving toward a particular person or place; relating to something that is coming toward the observer
30. sc\_\_\_h your clothes      *v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame

ANSWERS: 21. destroy, 22. massive, 23. savior, 24. blast, 25. steel, 26. cast, 27. scarce, 28. continually, 29. oncoming, 30. scorch



31. coo\_\_\_\_\_on with strategic partners  
*n.* the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.
32. change the ec\_\_\_\_\_em  
*n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
33. marine ec\_\_\_\_\_em  
*n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
34. fr\_\_\_\_\_nt use  
*adj.* happening constantly
35. 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
36. g\_\_b an opportunity  
*v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
37. er\_\_\_\_\_c behavior  
*adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
38. swim up\_\_\_\_\_am  
*adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
39. ma\_\_\_\_\_e amounts  
*adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
40. 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: 31. cooperation, 32. ecosystem, 33. ecosystem, 34. frequent, 35.

economy, 36. grab, 37. erratic, 38. upstream, 39. massive, 40. economy



50. g\_\_b an audience *v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
51. co\_\_\_\_al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
52. the attraction of gr\_\_\_\_y *n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn
53. gl\_\_\_\_\_us movie stars *adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
54. well-su\_\_\_\_d personality *adj.* appropriate, fitting, or acceptable for a particular purpose or occasion; matched or corresponding to a specific person, dress, or circumstances
55. a com\_\_\_\_\_on ceremony *n.* the act or process of finishing something that you are doing or making; the state of being finished
56. 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
57. fl\_\_d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
58. con\_\_\_\_\_ly access information *adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly
59. express my ap\_\_\_\_al *n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable

ANSWERS: 50. grab, 51. communal, 52. gravity, 53. glamorous, 54. suited, 55. completion, 56. electrify, 57. flood, 58. continually, 59. approval

60. ac\_\_\_\_\_ic skills *adj.* relating to or involving gymnastic or athletic feats performed with agility, balance, and coordination; agile, flexible, and graceful
61. sw\_\_p down the water slide *v.* to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon
62. p\_\_e a smoother road *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
63. re\_\_\_\_\_ct traffic *v.* to change the direction or course of something; to send in a different direction
64. intensive agr\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
65. the go\_\_es of the Yangtse River *n.* a deep narrow valley between hills or mountains, usually with steep sides and a river running through it
66. ex\_\_\_d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
67. tu\_\_\_l construction work *n.* an underground or underwater passage, typically for trains or cars
68. int\_\_\_\_\_ing mechanism *adj.* fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole
69. v\_\_y directly with the price *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
70. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole

ANSWERS: 60. acrobatic, 61. swoop, 62. pave, 63. redirect, 64. agriculture, 65. gorge, 66. expand, 67. tunnel, 68. interlocking, 69. vary, 70. construct

71. a heavy sc\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
72. co\_\_\_\_\_al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
73. unp\_\_\_\_\_ted boom *adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before
74. environmental det\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
75. a co\_\_\_\_\_te noun *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
76. a\_\_d terrain *adj.* lacking in moisture or rainfall; dry and barren; lacking in interest, life, or vitality
77. co\_\_\_\_\_e augmented reality *v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
78. em\_\_\_\_y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
79. water re\_\_\_\_\_ir *n.* a natural or artificial lake used to store water for community use; a large or extra supply of something
80. ru\_\_\_\_e-strewn road *n.* fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed

ANSWERS: 71. schedule, 72. communal, 73. unprecedented, 74. determinant, 75. concrete, 76. arid, 77. combine, 78. employ, 79. reservoir, 80. rubble

81. guarantee re\_\_\_\_le delivery *adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
82. the a\_\_h of a person's foot *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
83. di\_\_\_\_t an assault *v.* to change the course or direction of something, often away from a specific path or target; to entertain or amuse someone, often to distract them from a problem or concern; to appropriate something for a different purpose
84. th\_\_\_\_e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
85. IT inf\_\_\_\_\_ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
86. re\_\_\_\_ct attention *v.* to change the direction or course of something; to send in a different direction
87. pl\_\_\_\_ting sales *v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
88. d\_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
89. the worst hum\_\_\_\_de disaster *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
90. cu\_\_c structure *adj.* having the shape of a cube or being of three dimensions; measured in units that are the third power of a linear unit

ANSWERS: 81. reliable, 82. arch, 83. divert, 84. thrive, 85. infrastructure, 86. redirect, 87. plummet, 88. dam, 89. human-made, 90. cubic

91. 30-w\_\_t light bulb *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
92. unintended con\_\_\_\_\_ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
93. fr\_\_\_\_\_nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
94. the st\_\_\_\_\_re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
95. su\_\_\_\_d for the job *adj.* appropriate, fitting, or acceptable for a particular purpose or occasion; matched or corresponding to a specific person, dress, or circumstances
96. co\_\_\_\_\_ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
97. fo\_\_\_\_\_n position *n.* a person in charge of a group of workers, typically in a factory, construction site, or other industrial settings; a juror who presides over jury deliberations and speaks for the group in court
98. sw\_\_p up the escalator *v.* to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon
99. co\_\_\_\_\_te examples *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

ANSWERS: 91. watt, 92. consequence, 93. frequent, 94. structure, 95. suited, 96. construct, 97. foreman, 98. swoop, 99. concrete



100. the con\_\_\_\_\_ce of an argument     *n.*     the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
101. a re\_\_\_\_\_nt of the city     *n.*     a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
102. the root problem of her dep\_\_\_\_\_on     *n.*     a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
103. ge\_\_\_\_\_te more electricity     *v.*     to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
104. di\_\_\_\_\_on of resources     *n.*     a change of direction or course; the act of redirecting attention or activity to a different topic or task; a form of entertainment or pastime that provides a temporary distraction or relief
105. fo\_\_\_\_\_n duties     *n.*     a person in charge of a group of workers, typically in a factory, construction site, or other industrial settings; a juror who presides over jury deliberations and speaks for the group in court
106. coastal rec\_\_\_\_\_on     *n.*     the process of restoring or reclaiming something, particularly land or resources that have been damaged or depleted; the act of obtaining or recovering something that was lost or taken away
107. yield cu\_\_e     *n.*     a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

ANSWERS: 100. consequence, 101. resident, 102. depression, 103. generate, 104. diversion, 105. foreman, 106. reclamation, 107. curve

108. d\_\_y authority *v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
109. de\_\_\_\_d by elevator *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
110. temporary enc\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a temporary or semi-permanent settlement, especially a group of tents or other shelters used for lodging or military purposes
111. magnetic st\_\_l *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
112. ci\_\_\_s performer *n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment
113. pl\_\_\_\_\_t against other major currencies *v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
114. arrange my sc\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
115. hyd\_\_\_\_\_ric stations *adj.* relating to the generation of electricity from water power, usually by using turbines or generators powered by falling or flowing water; utilizing the energy of water to generate electricity

ANSWERS: 108. defy, 109. descend, 110. encampment, 111. steel, 112. circus, 113. plummet, 114. schedule, 115. hydroelectric

116. w\_\_t per square meter *n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
117. gr\_\_\_\_\_ng process *adj.* extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity
118. a det\_\_\_\_\_nt of crop yields *n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
119. bu\_\_\_u of statistics *n.* an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
120. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_\_s *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
121. a re\_\_\_\_\_ir of facts *n.* a natural or artificial lake used to store water for community use; a large or extra supply of something
122. ci\_\_\_s tent *n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment
123. rec\_\_\_\_\_on district *n.* the process of restoring or reclaiming something, particularly land or resources that have been damaged or depleted; the act of obtaining or recovering something that was lost or taken away

ANSWERS: 116. watt, 117. grueling, 118. determinant, 119. bureau, 120. process, 121. reservoir, 122. circus, 123. reclamation

124. hea\_\_\_\_\_ke prevention *n.* a serious and potentially life-threatening condition caused by prolonged exposure to high temperatures, which symptoms include high body temperature, rapid heartbeat, and confusion or loss of consciousness
125. a bold cl\_\_f *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
126. dy\_\_\_\_\_te fishing *n.* a powerful explosive made from nitroglycerin, typically used in construction and mining; something that causes strong, sudden reactions or changes
127. a lo\_\_e tongue *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
128. an icy bl\_\_t *n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
129. clear away ru\_\_\_e *n.* fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed
130. ca\_\_\_n of skyscrapers *n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river
131. ind\_\_\_\_\_us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 124. heatstroke, 125. cliff, 126. dynamite, 127. loose, 128. blast, 129. rubble, 130. canyon, 131. industrious

132. nu\_\_\_\_us countries *adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number
133. crater r\_m *n.* the edge of something in the shape of a more or less circular object
134. ar\_\_\_\_l and departure gate *n.* the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
135. de\_\_\_\_\_te an area *v.* to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage
136. re\_\_l bad luck *v.* to force an attack or attacker to withdraw or retreat
137. a ma\_\_\_\_\_ft solution *adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
138. organic agr\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
139. re\_\_\_\_\_le access *adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
140. er\_\_\_\_\_c movements *adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
141. 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
142. sh\_\_\_w puppetry *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner

ANSWERS: 132. numerous, 133. rim, 134. arrival, 135. devastate, 136. repel, 137. makeshift, 138. agriculture, 139. reliable, 140. erratic, 141. electrify, 142. shadow

143. ar\_\_\_\_l at a conclusion *n.* the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
144. thoroughgoing coo\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.
145. st\_\_\_\_e financially *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
146. en\_\_\_\_er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
147. seasonal la\_\_r *n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal
148. cl\_\_f diving *n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
149. sh\_\_\_\_w cast *n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
150. cast the go\_\_e *n.* a deep narrow valley between hills or mountains, usually with steep sides and a river running through it

ANSWERS: 143. arrival, 144. cooperation, 145. stumble, 146. engineer, 147. labor, 148. cliff, 149. shadow, 150. gorge

151. a glass t\_\_e *n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
152. the Great Dep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
153. d\_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
154. bo\_\_\_\_\_r field *n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion
155. st\_\_\_e up a conversation *v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
156. inf\_\_\_\_\_ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
157. ro\_\_\_\_\_y speaking *adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner
158. sc\_\_\_e resources *adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
159. int\_\_\_\_\_ing braid *adj.* fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole
160. hyd\_\_\_\_\_ric dam *adj.* relating to the generation of electricity from water power, usually by using turbines or generators powered by falling or flowing water; utilizing the energy of water to generate electricity

ANSWERS: 151. tube, 152. depression, 153. dam, 154. boulder, 155. strike, 156. infrastructure, 157. roughly, 158. scarce, 159. interlocking, 160. hydroelectric

161. military enc\_\_\_\_\_nt      *n.* a temporary or semi-permanent settlement, especially a group of tents or other shelters used for lodging or military purposes
162. cu\_\_c meter      *adj.* having the shape of a cube or being of three dimensions; measured in units that are the third power of a linear unit
163. fl\_\_k of spectator      *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
164. dy\_\_\_\_\_te-powered engine      *n.* a powerful explosive made from nitroglycerin, typically used in construction and mining; something that causes strong, sudden reactions or changes
165. r\_m of the ear      *n.* the edge of something in the shape of a more or less circular object
166. su\_\_\_\_\_b to old age      *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
167. p\_\_e a new path      *v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use
168. pre-Christian an\_\_\_\_\_t      *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
169. st\_\_\_\_\_re and function of the brain      *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

ANSWERS: 161. encampment, 162. cubic, 163. flock, 164. dynamite, 165. rim, 166. succumb, 167. pave, 168. ancient, 169. structure



170. ge\_\_\_\_te \$100 a month      *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
171. an a\_\_h-shaped stone structure      *n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building
172. twisty ca\_\_\_\_n road      *n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river
173. remove lo\_\_e hair      *adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something
174. fl\_\_k of sheep      *n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
175. v\_\_y according to the age      *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
176. a gr\_\_\_\_ng campaign      *adj.* extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity
177. sta\_\_\_\_\_art software      *adj.* characterized by the use of the latest and most advanced technology or methods; cutting-edge
178. mental di\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a change of direction or course; the act of redirecting attention or activity to a different topic or task; a form of entertainment or pastime that provides a temporary distraction or relief
179. official sta\_\_\_\_\_cs      *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data

ANSWERS: 170. generate, 171. arch, 172. canyon, 173. loose, 174. flock, 175. vary, 176. grueling, 177. state-of-the-art, 178. diversion, 179. statistics

180. gov\_\_\_\_\_nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
181. sta\_\_\_\_\_cs for cancer *n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
182. re\_\_l bandits *v.* to force an attack or attacker to withdraw or retreat
183. prove unr\_\_\_\_\_le *adj.* not able to be trusted or depended on
184. on\_\_\_\_\_ng disaster *adj.* approaching or moving toward a particular person or place; relating to something that is coming toward the observer
185. re\_\_\_\_\_e traffic *v.* to redirect or change the course or direction of something
186. tu\_\_\_\_l disease *n.* an underground or underwater passage, typically for trains or cars
187. ex\_\_\_\_d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
188. sta\_\_\_\_\_art technology *adj.* characterized by the use of the latest and most advanced technology or methods; cutting-edge
189. de\_\_\_\_\_d a steep hill *v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood
190. up\_\_\_\_\_am direction *adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
191. scheduled com\_\_\_\_\_on date *n.* the act or process of finishing something that you are doing or making; the state of being finished

ANSWERS: 180. government, 181. statistics, 182. repel, 183. unreliable, 184. oncoming, 185. reroute, 186. tunnel, 187. expand, 188. state-of-the-art, 189. descend, 190. upstream, 191. completion

192. hea\_\_\_\_\_ke symptoms *n.* a serious and potentially life-threatening condition caused by prolonged exposure to high temperatures, which symptoms include high body temperature, rapid heartbeat, and confusion or loss of consciousness
193. learning cu\_\_\_e *n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape
194. st\_\_\_\_\_e through life *v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily
195. ac\_\_\_\_\_ic leaps *adj.* relating to or involving gymnastic or athletic feats performed with agility, balance, and coordination; agile, flexible, and graceful
196. su\_\_\_\_\_b to cancer *v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury
197. su\_\_\_\_\_ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
198. an\_\_\_\_\_t stories *adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
199. re\_\_\_\_\_e path *v.* to redirect or change the course or direction of something
200. hum\_\_\_\_\_de climate change *adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
201. financial cr\_\_\_\_s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 192. heatstroke, 193. curve, 194. stumble, 195. acrobatic, 196. succumb, 197. suddenly, 198. ancient, 199. reroute, 200. human-made, 201. crisis

202. en____us potential	<i>adj.</i> extremely large or great
203. ma_____ft shelter	<i>adj.</i> serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
204. co_____e chemically with another substance	<i>v.</i> to join or merge to form a single thing or group
205. di____t attention	<i>v.</i> to change the course or direction of something, often away from a specific path or target; to entertain or amuse someone, often to distract them from a problem or concern; to appropriate something for a different purpose
206. a fl__d of questions	<i>n.</i> a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
207. semi-a__d zone	<i>adj.</i> lacking in moisture or rainfall; dry and barren; lacking in interest, life, or vitality
208. ind_____us student	<i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
209. em___y job seekers	<i>v.</i> to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
210. 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
211. de_____te the economy	<i>v.</i> to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage
212. d__y gravity	<i>v.</i> to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.

ANSWERS: 202. enormous, 203. makeshift, 204. combine, 205. divert, 206. flood, 207. arid, 208. industrious, 209. employ, 210. decide, 211. devastate, 212. defy

213. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom

*n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group

214. cast gl\_\_\_\_\_us eyes

*adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people

ANSWERS: 213. individual, 214. glamorous

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This accident \_\_\_\_\_ a dark shadow over their lives.  
*v.* to cause light or shadow to appear on a surface; to assign or choose someone such as an actor or representative, especially by selection process
2. The organizational \_\_\_\_\_ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.  
*n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
3. The company is investing heavily in \_\_\_\_\_ research and development.  
*adj.* in the direction against a stream's current; (adverb) toward the source or beginning of a stream, river, or process
4. \_\_\_\_\_ is the foundation of our economy.  
*n.* the practice or science of cultivating the land or raising stock
5. The south coast is less \_\_\_\_\_ yet has many clean and appealing hotels.  
*adj.* highly attractive and exciting, and different from ordinary things or people
6. Fresh water is becoming increasingly \_\_\_\_\_ in many parts of the world.  
*adj.* not abundant or plentiful, and therefore not easy to find or obtain
7. By incorrect assumption, statistics can be notoriously \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* not able to be trusted or depended on
8. The town decided to convert its power source to \_\_\_\_\_ energy.  
*adj.* relating to the generation of electricity from water power, usually by using turbines or generators powered by falling or flowing water; utilizing the energy of water to generate electricity

ANSWERS: 1. cast, 2. structure, 3. upstream, 4. Agriculture, 5. glamorous, 6. scarce, 7. unreliable, 8. hydroelectric

9. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the wetlands allowed for the restoration of the natural ecosystem.
- n.* the process of restoring or reclaiming something, particularly land or resources that have been damaged or depleted; the act of obtaining or recovering something that was lost or taken away
10. The bridge is a \_\_\_\_\_ structure and was built to span the river.
- adj.* created or produced by humans; artificial
11. They have been living near water since \_\_\_\_\_ times.
- adj.* relating to the long ago, particularly the historical period preceding the fall of the Western Roman Empire; very old
12. The hiker experienced a severe \_\_\_\_\_ after hiking in the desert for several hours without enough water.
- n.* a serious and potentially life-threatening condition caused by prolonged exposure to high temperatures, which symptoms include high body temperature, rapid heartbeat, and confusion or loss of consciousness
13. 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
14. Shall we \_\_\_\_\_ a bite to eat?
- v.* to take hold of something or someone suddenly with a hand, especially in a violent way
15. We \_\_\_\_\_ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.
- v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

ANSWERS: 9. reclamation, 10. human-made, 11. ancient, 12. heatstroke, 13. electrify, 14. grab, 15. strike

16. These descriptions are based on a number of \_\_\_\_\_ assumptions.  
*adj.* amounting to a large indefinite number
17. \_\_\_\_\_ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.  
*n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
18. The \_\_\_\_\_ shattered the laboratory equipment.  
*n.* explosion, or a strong current of air, usually caused by an explosion; a sudden, thunderous noise
19. The desert is known for its \_\_\_\_\_ climate and lack of rainfall.  
*adj.* lacking in moisture or rainfall; dry and barren; lacking in interest, life, or vitality
20. He stood at the edge of the \_\_\_\_\_ and looked out to sea.  
*n.* a steep rock face, especially one at the edge of the sea or a river
21. Due to the traffic, the delivery truck had to \_\_\_\_\_ to avoid the congested roads.  
*v.* to redirect or change the course or direction of something
22. He \_\_\_\_\_ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.  
*v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
23. Hydrogen and oxygen \_\_\_\_\_ to form water.  
*v.* to join or merge to form a single thing or group
24. These heavy rains caused flash \_\_\_\_\_ on several islands.  
*n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount

ANSWERS: 16. numerous, 17. Depression, 18. blast, 19. arid, 20. cliff, 21. reroute, 22. constructs, 23. combine, 24. floods



25. So far, the meeting is going according to \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
26. 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
27. Visa renewal for \_\_\_\_\_ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
- n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
28. They hope to \_\_\_\_\_ their business worldwide.
- v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
29. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.
- adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
30. Several hectares of land are needed to generate more than 1-mega\_\_\_\_\_ solar power.
- n.* a standard unit for measuring electrical power
31. Without investment, a business cannot \_\_\_\_\_.
- v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
32. In several countries, child \_\_\_\_\_ is a serious social problem.
- n.* productive work, especially physical work done for wages; the people who do manual or physical work in a country or company for wage; (verb) to work hard or to strive and make an effort to reach a goal

ANSWERS: 25. schedule, 26. concrete, 27. resident, 28. expand, 29. Communal, 30. watt, 31. thrive, 32. labor

33. As an \_\_\_\_\_ he had the right to make his own decisions and live his life as he saw fit.
- n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
34. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the construction site is responsible for overseeing the workers and ensuring that the project is completed on time.
- n.* a person in charge of a group of workers, typically in a factory, construction site, or other industrial settings; a juror who presides over jury deliberations and speaks for the group in court
35. This material can \_\_\_\_\_ moisture swiftly.
- v.* to force an attack or attacker to withdraw or retreat
36. The \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
- n.* the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
37. 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
38. The recent economic downturn has resulted in \_\_\_\_\_ layoffs.
- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
39. This bridge is the third largest \_\_\_\_\_ bridge in the world.
- n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

ANSWERS: 33. individual, 34. foreman, 35. repel, 36. statistics, 37. crisis, 38. massive, 39. steel

40. The \_\_\_\_\_ train was packed with commuters during rush hour.
- n.* a cylindrical container of metal, plastic, glass, etc., usually sealed and used as a means of preserving food or chemicals; a hollow cylindrical shape
41. The economic stimulation program would \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of new jobs.
- v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
42. The operator of the \_\_\_\_\_ wears noise-canceling headphones to protect their ears.
- n.* a powerful mechanical tool used to break up pavement, concrete, or other hard materials, typically used in construction or demolition projects
43. 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
44. The machine pumps up crude oil from a deep underground \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a natural or artificial lake used to store water for community use; a large or extra supply of something
45. When a \_\_\_\_\_ of birds flies in, the hunt begins.
- n.* a gathering of sheep, goats, or birds
46. The sun \_\_\_\_\_ the desert, making it uninhabitable.
- v.* to burn the surface of something, usually accidentally, with a hot iron or flame
47. The hospital has \_\_\_\_\_ equipment and facilities to ensure the best healthcare for its patients.
- adj.* characterized by the use of the latest and most advanced technology or methods; cutting-edge

ANSWERS: 40. tube, 41. generate, 42. jackhammer, 43. decide, 44. reservoir, 45. flock, 46. scorched, 47. state-of-the-art

48. The sound of the \_\_\_\_\_ explosion could be heard for miles.
- n.* a powerful explosive made from nitroglycerin, typically used in construction and mining; something that causes strong, sudden reactions or changes
49. The marathon was a \_\_\_\_\_ test of endurance.
- adj.* extremely tiring or demanding great effort, especially with long duration or intensity
50. Human conservation efforts often fail unexpectedly because they disturb the balance of the \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* all the plants and living creatures in an area and the way they affect each other and the environment
51. One \_\_\_\_\_ of success is having a positive attitude and a strong work ethic.
- n.* a factor, circumstance, or condition that contributes to the shaping, influencing, or determining of a particular outcome or result
52. The driver had to swerve to avoid an \_\_\_\_\_ car that veered into his lane.
- adj.* approaching or moving toward a particular person or place; relating to something that is coming toward the observer
53. The \_\_\_\_\_ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
54. The \_\_\_\_\_ between businesses and universities created this groundbreaking product.
- n.* the act or situation of working together with someone towards a shared purpose, benefit, etc.

ANSWERS: 48. dynamite, 49. grueling, 50. ecosystem, 51. determinant, 52. oncoming, 53. engineer, 54. cooperation

55. 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
56. The team set up a \_\_\_\_\_ tent for shelter during the storm.
- adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
57. She tried to \_\_\_\_\_ her parents by moving to the city against their wishes.
- v.* to challenge or dare someone to do something; to resist or disobey a rule, decision, etc.
58. After the earthquake, the city was left in a pile of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* fragments of rock, stone, or other materials that remain after a building or other structure has been destroyed or demolished; the remains of something that has been broken down or destroyed
59. I went to the \_\_\_\_\_ of motor vehicles to renew my driver's license.
- n.* an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
60. The \_\_\_\_\_ of soldiers in the field was a temporary arrangement.
- n.* a temporary or semi-permanent settlement, especially a group of tents or other shelters used for lodging or military purposes
61. They \_\_\_\_\_ the courtyard with bricks, giving it a more polished appearance.
- v.* to cover something with a hard, flat material such as stones, bricks, or concrete, to make it suitable for travel or use

ANSWERS: 55. economy, 56. makeshift, 57. defy, 58. rubble, 59. bureau, 60. encampment, 61. paved

62. The water level was even with the basin's \_\_\_\_.
- n.* the edge of something in the shape of a more or less circular object
63. The building was \_\_\_\_\_ in the fire and had to be rebuilt.
- v.* to ruin or damage severely or completely; to eradicate or eliminate completely
64. When making arrests, police officers frequently \_\_\_\_\_ excessive force.
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
65. The stock market has been behaving in an \_\_\_\_\_ manner, making it difficult for investors to predict future trends.
- adj.* characterized by lack of consistency, regularity, or predictable behavior; unpredictable or inconsistent in movement, behavior, or quality
66. This project took a lot of time to get the president's \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable
67. The stock prices have \_\_\_\_\_ in the last hour, causing concern for investors.
- v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
68. The tree cast a \_\_\_\_\_ over the picnic area, providing relief from the sun.
- n.* a dark area or shape cast by an object blocking the passage of light; an area in darkness or shade; a reflected image or copy of something; a person, activity, or influence that follows or accompanies someone or something closely and persistently, often in a secretive or ominous manner
69. Maximum heart rates \_\_\_\_\_ a lot for each individual.
- v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

ANSWERS: 62. rim, 63. destroyed, 64. employ, 65. erratic, 66. approval, 67. plummeted, 68. shadow, 69. vary

70. 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

71. The Grand \_\_\_\_\_ has an awe-inspiring sight.

- n.* a large deep valley with very steep sides of rock and usually formed by a river

72. 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

73. The hikers had to climb over a \_\_\_\_\_ that was blocking their path.

- n.* a large, smooth rock, typically one that has been worn away from a cliff or mountain by erosion

74. The government decided to \_\_\_\_\_ funding towards education and healthcare.

- v.* to change the direction or course of something; to send in a different direction

75. Five miles is \_\_\_\_\_ similar to eight kilometers.

- adv.* approximately but not precisely; with a violent manner

76. 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

77. She was \_\_\_\_\_ from an old Italian noble family.

- v.* to move downward and lower; to come from, or to be connected by a relationship of blood

ANSWERS: 70. dam, 71. Canyon, 72. process, 73. boulder, 74. redirect, 75. roughly, 76. infrastructure, 77. descended

78. He finally \_\_\_\_\_ to temptation.

- v.* to fail to oppose something, such as desire, pressure, or some other opposing force; to die or suffer badly from the effect of a disease or injury

79. Earthquakes can also trigger tsunamis, which \_\_\_\_\_ coastal areas.

- v.* to wreck a place or an area or cause significant damage

80. The guru of that religion thought of himself as a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a person who rescues a people from harm or danger; (in Christianity) Jesus Christ who is a teacher and prophet born in Bethlehem and active in Nazareth

81. The \_\_\_\_\_ puzzle pieces were difficult to separate.

- adj.* fitting or locking together in a way that makes a continuous and secure whole

82. The \_\_\_\_\_ bears the weight of the overhead bridge.

- n.* a curved structure with two supports that holds the weight of something above it, such as a bridge or the upper part of a building

83. The \_\_\_\_\_ in the road was so sharp that I had to slow down to navigate it safely.

- n.* a bend or angle in a line or surface that deviates from a straight or flat path; a gradual or smooth change in direction or shape

84. The astronaut felt weightless in space due to the absence of \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the force that attracts a body towards the center of the earth or towards any other physical body having mass; a manner that is solemn

85. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the river's path caused flooding downstream.

- n.* a change of direction or course; the act of redirecting attention or activity to a different topic or task; a form of entertainment or pastime that provides a temporary distraction or relief

ANSWERS: 78. succumbed, 79. devastate, 80. savior, 81. interlocking, 82. arch, 83. curve, 84. gravity, 85. diversion



86. The workers had to dig through solid rock to create the vehicular \_\_\_\_\_ allowing the cars to pass through the mountain.

*n.* an underground or underwater passage, typically for trains or cars

87. Due to the road construction, we had to \_\_\_\_\_ our course to get to the restaurant.

*v.* to change the course or direction of something, often away from a specific path or target; to entertain or amuse someone, often to distract them from a problem or concern; to appropriate something for a different purpose

88. The kids were excited to go to the \_\_\_\_\_ and see the clowns and animals perform.

*n.* a traveling show or entertainment that often features acrobats, clowns, animals, and other performers; a chaotic, confusing, or tumultuous situation or environment

89. Weather forecasters are predicting the \_\_\_\_\_ of a heatwave.

*n.* the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective

90. The \_\_\_\_\_ performance was breathtaking and left the audience in awe.

*adj.* relating to or involving gymnastic or athletic feats performed with agility, balance, and coordination; agile, flexible, and graceful

91. We must pass through the narrow \_\_\_\_\_ with a stream running through it.

*n.* a deep narrow valley between hills or mountains, usually with steep sides and a river running through it

92. Who answers \_\_\_\_\_ knows little.

*adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 86. tunnel, 87. divert, 88. circus, 89. arrival, 90. acrobatic, 91. gorge, 92. suddenly

93. These economic activities had disastrous environmental \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
94. The package was a \_\_\_\_\_ shape, which made it easier to stack on the shelf.
- adj.* having the shape of a cube or being of three dimensions; measured in units that are the third power of a linear unit
95. His heartaches are less \_\_\_\_\_ now.
- adj.* happening constantly
96. Trains are \_\_\_\_\_ inexpensive, and ideal for long-distance travel.
- adj.* worthy of being relied on; trustworthy
97. The federal \_\_\_\_\_ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
- n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
98. Everyone, even non-scholars, knows Einstein's \_\_\_\_\_ contributions to physics.
- adj.* great in importance or influence, size, extent, or solidity; massive
99. The job offer was perfectly \_\_\_\_\_ to her skills and experience.
- adj.* appropriate, fitting, or acceptable for a particular purpose or occasion; matched or corresponding to a specific person, dress, or circumstances
100. Shakespeare's output of poetry was \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* extremely large or great
101. The inspector discovered \_\_\_\_\_ bolts under the fuel rods.
- adj.* not securely fixed or fastened in place or able to be detached or separated from something

ANSWERS: 93. consequences, 94. cubic, 95. frequent, 96. reliable, 97. government, 98. monumental, 99. suited, 100. enormous, 101. loose

102. Her tongue runs on \_\_\_\_\_.

*adv.* in a way that happens without interruption or repeatedly

103. She \_\_\_\_\_ over the tree root.

*v.* to miss a step and fall or nearly fall; to walk unsteadily

104. He was known to be very \_\_\_\_\_ and would often work late into the night.

*adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

105. The mayor announced that the renovation of the city hall is now nearing \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act or process of finishing something that you are doing or making; the state of being finished

106. The eagle \_\_\_\_\_ down from the sky to catch its prey.

*v.* to rapidly or forcefully descend upon something or someone from a great height or distance; to rush or pounce upon

107. \_\_\_\_\_ amounts of heckling and slogan-shouting took place throughout the event.

*adj.* never having been seen, done, or known before

ANSWERS: 102. continually, 103. stumbled, 104. industrious, 105. completion, 106. swooped, 107. Unprecedented