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Session 1: Word List

survey

n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions

synonym : study, examination, poll

(1) a comprehensive **survey**, (2) recent **survey**

That **survey** shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

racial

adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

synonym : ethnic, tribal, ethnical

(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds

A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.

negative

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

synonym: minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

label

n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category

synonym: tag, mark, identifier

(1) a mailing **label**, (2) **label** a bag with my name

The **label** on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.

aggressive

adj. behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly

synonym: assertive, combative, threatening

(1) an **aggressive** war, (2) an **aggressive** tumor

An **aggressive** tide wrecked the ship.

stubborn

adj. refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

synonym: persistent, obstinate, determined

(1) **stubborn** attitude, (2) **stubborn** stains

He was so **stubborn** about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.

materialistic

adj. concerned primarily with material possessions rather than spiritual or intellectual values; adhering to a philosophy that places a high value on material goods or wealth

synonym: worldly, consumerist, acquisitive

(1) **materialistic** lifestyle, (2) **materialistic** values

Some people believe that the pursuit of wealth is a **materialistic** goal.

shyness

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

synonym : bashfulness, timidity, modesty

(1) lose some of my **shyness**, (2) **shyness** barrier

He finally overcame his **shyness**.

meek

adj. showing humility, gentleness, or submissiveness; lacking in assertiveness or aggressiveness; often used about someone who is excessively passive or deferential

synonym : humble, modest, mild

(1) **meek** personality, (2) **meek** acceptance

The **meek** employee was often overlooked for promotions despite his hard work.

regardless

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

synonym : anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread

People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

bias

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

synonym : inclination, partiality, predilection

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

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

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.

intelligent

adj. having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

synonym: brilliant, clever, competent

(1) an **intelligent** person, (2) **intelligent** assisting system

Intelligent robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

gentle

adj. having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild

synonym: mild, delicate, soft

(1) in a **gentle** voice, (2) **gentle** downward slope

Her **gentle** manner relaxed everyone there.

peer

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

synonym: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

humble

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

synonym: modest, unpretentious, abject

(1) a **humble** cottage, (2) **humble** opinion

The nobler, the more **humble**.

emerge

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

synonym: arise, occur, appear

(1) **emerge** as a butterfly, (2) **emerge** from poverty

During colonial eras, new migratory patterns **emerged**.

claim

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

synonym: assert, declare, maintain

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

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

overcome

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

synonym : beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

mist

n. a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water

synonym : fog, murk, haze

(1) **mist** in the morning, (2) fine **mist**

The sun has risen, and the **mist** has faded.

incarceration

n. the state of being confined in prison or jail

synonym : confinement, imprisonment, detention

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

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

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym : mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

incarcerate

v. to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape

synonym : confine, detain, imprison

(1) **incarcerate** the murderer, (2) **incarcerate** her for life

He was **incarcerated** for the duration of the war.

praise

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

synonym : acclaim, honor, commendation

(1) attain critical **praise**, (2) universal **praise**
The drama series mainly received **praise**.

compliant

adj. willing to comply with rules, requests, or demands
synonym : obedient, conforming, amenable

(1) **compliant** software, (2) **compliant** regulations

The company is committed to being **compliant** with industry regulations.

diligent

adj. showing or characterized by care and effort in your work or duties

synonym : active, engaged, assiduous

(1) a **diligent** person, (2) a **diligent** search of the files

The **diligent** detective investigated all clues.

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**.

complicated

adj. involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

synonym : complex, convoluted, intricate

(1) a **complicated** process, (2) become increasingly **complicated**

He did **complicated** pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.

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.

patriotic

adj. having or showing love for one's country and a desire for its success and welfare

synonym :

loyal, chauvinistic, jingoistic

(1) **patriotic** duty, (2) **patriotic** fervor

He was wearing a **patriotic** T-shirt with the American flag on it.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym: free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

instruct

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

synonym: train, coach, guide

(1) **instruct** a student, (2) **instruct** a computer

The facility manager **instructed** the security guards to be on high alert.

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.

policy

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

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

propaganda

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

synonym : disinformation, misinformation, publicity

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

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

persuade

v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

synonym : convince, influence, sway

(1) attempt to **persuade**, (2) **persuade** enough people

She tried to **persuade** her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym : menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

coverage

n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides

synonym : reportage, scope, range

(1) full- **coverage** insurance, (2) contractual **coverage**

The scandal received widespread media **coverage**.

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

perception

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

synonym: understanding, idea, awareness

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

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

suspect

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

synonym: assume, distrust, surmise

(1) **suspect** a plot, (2) **suspect** that he is sick

The cops **suspected** him of being the killer.

traitor

n. a person who betrays someone or something, such as a friend, cause, or principle, to which they had previously been loyal; a person who commits treason against their country or sovereign

synonym: betrayal, turncoat, renegade

(1) political **traitor**, (2) notorious **traitor**

The government branded him a **traitor** after he leaked classified information to the press.

phrase

n. a group of words that mean something specific when used together

synonym: expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

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.

obedient

adj. willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do

synonym: compliant, submissive, dutiful

(1) grow to be **obedient**, (2) **obedient** dog

The **obedient** dog followed its owner's commands.

critic

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

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

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

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

primarily

adv. mainly

synonym: largely, mainly, mostly

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

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

politician

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

synonym: congressperson, lawmaker, legislator

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

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

threaten

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

synonym: endanger, terrorize, intimidate

(1) **threaten** a healthy relationship, (2) **threaten** national security

Various artificially induced causes are **threatening** our ecosystem.

movement

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

synonym: motion, progression, action

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

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

elegant.

rhetoric

n. speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form

synonym: oratory, eloquence, persuasion

(1) the **rhetoric** of a debate, (2) high-flown **rhetoric**

He was known for his powerful **rhetoric** and ability to persuade people with his words.

discredit

v. to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable

synonym: disprove, undermine, disgrace

(1) **discredit** a theory, (2) **discredit** a witness

The company's unethical practices have **discredited** its brand image in the eyes of consumers.

fabric

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

synonym: cloth, material, goods

(1) a hand-loomed **fabric**, (2) **fabric** of creation

These synthetic **fabrics** are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

struggle

v. to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

synonym: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

inferior

adj. lower in rank, status, or quality

synonym: lower, subordinate, secondary

(1) an **inferior** poet, (2) **inferior** quality

The new employee's work was **inferior** to that of the experienced workers in the team.

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.

wedge

n. a piece of wood, metal, or other material with one thick end and a narrow edge that is driven between two things or parts of objects to secure or separate them

(1) drive a **wedge** into a relationship, (2) put a **wedge** under the door

He inserted the **wedge** into a split in the log.

erase

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

synonym: wipe out, delete, obliterate

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

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

oppress

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

synonym: antagonize, distress, burden

(1) **oppress** the minority, (2) **oppress** the people with force

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

margin

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

synonym: edge, border, periphery

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

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

notes.

pit

n. a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit

synonym: hole, depression, indentation

(1) the bottomless **pit**, (2) the **pit** of the stomach

The **pit** of the avocado can be removed by gently wedging a spoon around it.

myth

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

synonym: fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**

With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

enforce

v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

synonym: execute, implement, administer

(1) **enforce** the law, (2) **enforce** a contract

Governments make rules, and police **enforce** them.

hierarchy

n. a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

synonym: ranking, order, scale

(1) top of the **hierarchy**, (2) **hierarchy** of folders

She has taken a step up in the organizational **hierarchy**.

underneath

adv. under or below something else

synonym: below, under, beneath

(1) **underneath** the surface of the water, (2) **underneath** the laughter

The penny fell **underneath** the piano.

consciously

adv. with awareness; in a deliberate manner

synonym: intentionally, deliberately, knowingly

(1) **consciously** aware of a problem, (2) act **consciously**
He **consciously** criticizes her in the publicity.

unconscious

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

synonym: comatose, paralyzed, senseless

(1) **unconscious** bias, (2) a person who is **unconscious**
I know his **unconscious** habit that he touches his face when he lies.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**
Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

typical

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

synonym: characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms
This artwork is **typical** of her work.

deserve

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

synonym: merit, earn, justify

(1) **deserve** respect, (2) **deserve** this prize
The employee **deserved** the promotion for their hard work and dedication.

tolerance

n. the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

synonym: acceptance, patience, forbearance

(1) religious **tolerance**, (2) **tolerance** for risk
The school's diversity program aimed to promote **tolerance** and understanding among the students.

quo *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
synonym: status, condition, state
(1) status **quo** politician, (2) **quo** warranto
The company has been successful in maintaining the status **quo**.

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.

accord *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
synonym: alliance, pact, agreement
(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**
The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

psychology *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd
She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

phenomenon *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
synonym: marvel, wonder, splendor
(1) natural **phenomenon**, (2) historical **phenomenon**
A rainbow is a natural **phenomenon**.

encouraging *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
synonym: uplifting, inspiring, optimistic
(1) **encouraging** approval, (2) **encouraging** sign
The test results were **encouraging** and showed improvement.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym: tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

frequent

adj. happening constantly

synonym: periodic, recurring, routine

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

His heartaches are less **frequent** now.

overlook

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

synonym: disregard, look down, supervise

(1) **overlook** a street, (2) **overlook** that fact

We cannot **overlook** an opportunity for great success.

assume

v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

synonym: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

disadvantage

n. a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

synonym: detriment, drawback, (verb) disfavor

(1) the **disadvantage** of a plan, (2) **disadvantage** small businesses

A lack of education can be a significant **disadvantage** in today's job market.

portrait

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

synonym : illustration, image, portraiture

(1) a **portrait** painter, (2) **portrait** of a well-known figure

A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's **portrait**.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym : acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

motivate

v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

synonym : boost, encourage, inspire

(1) **motivate** the students, (2) all ability to **motivate**

The ability to **motivate** people is a priceless asset.

violent

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

synonym : aggressive, intense, turbulent

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

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

discriminate

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

synonym : show prejudice, segregate, differentiate

(1) **discriminate** against women employees,

(2) **discriminate** between different things

You should not **discriminate** against minorities.

umbrella

n. a device consisting of a circular canopy of cloth on a central pole used as protection against rain or sometimes against the sun

synonym : parasol, canopy, sunshade

(1) **umbrella** coverage, (2) **umbrella** ban

She opened her **umbrella** to protect herself from the rain.

background

n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

(1) a **background** color, (2) a criminal **background**

The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's **background**.

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.

dimension

n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length

synonym: extent, measurement, size

(1) new **dimension**, (2) the crosswise **dimension**

Overall **dimensions** are approximately 400x200mm.

hinder

v. to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something

synonym: frustrate, hamper, interfere

(1) **hinder** athletic performance, (2) **hinder** international exchanges

The pandemic **hindered** the growth of the airline industry.

triumph

n. a great victory or achievement

synonym: victory, success, conquest

(1) **triumph** of democracy, (2) **triumph** of the spirit

The team's **triumph** in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

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

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

coalition

n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body

synonym: union, confederation, alliance

(1) a three-party **coalition**, (2) **coalition** forces

The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a **coalition** in the next elections.

eliminate

v. to remove or get rid of someone or something

synonym: wipe out, destroy, eradicate

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

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

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. gov_____nt funding | <i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state |
| 2. personal na_____ve | <i>n.</i> a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story |
| 3. in a ge___e voice | <i>adj.</i> having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild |
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| 8. em___e from poverty | <i>v.</i> to move out of or away from something and become visible |
| 9. vi_____t incident | <i>adj.</i> involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something |

ANSWERS: 1. government, 2. narrative, 3. gentle, 4. policy, 5. praise, 6. enforce, 7. complicated, 8. emerge, 9. violent

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11. the crosswise di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
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13. st_____le against discrimination *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
14. a hand-loomed fa___c *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
15. fr_____nt use *adj.* happening constantly
16. perpetuate a m__h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
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18. inc_____te her for life *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
19. a un___e teacher *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
20. m__k acceptance *adj.* showing humility, gentleness, or submissiveness; lacking in assertiveness or aggressiveness; often used about someone who is excessively passive or deferential

ANSWERS: 10. peer, 11. dimension, 12. meek, 13. struggle, 14. fabric, 15. frequent, 16. myth, 17. survey, 18. incarcerate, 19. unique, 20. meek

21. pr_____ly affect adults *adv.* mainly
22. int_____nt assisting system *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
23. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
24. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
25. keen per_____on *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
26. mo_____te the students *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
27. em___e as a butterfly *v.* to move out of or away from something and become visible
28. environmental th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
29. act con_____ly *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner

ANSWERS: 21. primarily, 22. intelligent, 23. integrate, 24. movement, 25. perception, 26. motivate, 27. emerge, 28. threat, 29. consciously

30. co_____on forces *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
31. put a we___e under the door *n.* a piece of wood, metal, or other material with one thick end and a narrow edge that is driven between two things or parts of objects to secure or separate them
32. op_____s the minority *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
33. a comprehensive su___y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
34. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
35. ob_____nt dog *adj.* willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do
36. 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
37. a po_____it painter *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
38. to_____ce for risk *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

ANSWERS: 30. coalition, 31. wedge, 32. oppress, 33. survey, 34. individual, 35. obedient, 36. cast, 37. portrait, 38. tolerance

39. dis_____age small businesses *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
40. drive a we__e into a relationship *n.* a piece of wood, metal, or other material with one thick end and a narrow edge that is driven between two things or parts of objects to secure or separate them
41. status q_o politician *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
42. an agg_____ve war *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
43. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
44. victim of a vi_____t crime *adj.* involving or caused by physical force or aggression against someone or something
45. de_____e respect *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
46. enc_____ng approval *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
47. a di_____nt search of the files *adj.* showing or characterized by care and effort in your work or duties
48. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
49. hi____r athletic performance *v.* to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something

ANSWERS: 39. disadvantage, 40. wedge, 41. quo, 42. aggressive, 43. transform, 44. violent, 45. deserve, 46. encouraging, 47. diligent, 48. individual, 49. hinder

50. di_____it a theory *v.* to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
51. el_____te contestants *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
52. ge___e downward slope *adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
53. as_____te with people widely *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
54. tr_____h of the spirit *n.* a great victory or achievement
55. st_____rn stains *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change
56. the p_t of the stomach *n.* a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit
57. contractual co_____ge *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
58. new di_____on *n.* a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
59. st_____rn attitude *adj.* refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

ANSWERS: 50. discredit, 51. eliminate, 52. gentle, 53. associate, 54. triumph, 55. stubborn, 56. pit, 57. coverage, 58. dimension, 59. stubborn

60. notorious tr____r *n.* a person who betrays someone or something, such as a friend, cause, or principle, to which they had previously been loyal; a person who commits treason against their country or sovereign
61. op____s the people with force *v.* to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people
62. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
63. a di____nt person *adj.* showing or characterized by care and effort in your work or duties
64. un____e design *adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
65. false cl__m *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
66. la__l a bag with my name *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
67. intended pr_____ly for young people *adv.* mainly

ANSWERS: 60. traitor, 61. oppress, 62. recognize, 63. diligent, 64. unique, 65. claim, 66. label, 67. primarily

68. in_____te both businesses *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
69. fr_____nt absence *adj.* happening constantly
70. a person who is unc_____us *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
71. er__ed the files *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
72. hu___e opinion *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
73. universal pr___e *n.* an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something
74. as_____te alcohol with gambling *v.* to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
75. dis_____ate between different things *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
76. inc_____te the murderer *v.* to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape
77. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 68. integrate, 69. frequent, 70. unconscious, 71. erase, 72. humble, 73. praise, 74. associate, 75. discriminate, 76. incarcerate, 77. movement

78. the m__h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
79. ov_____me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
80. full-co_____ge insurance *n.* the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
81. an agg_____ve tumor *adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
82. a mailing la__l *n.* a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
83. the dis_____age of a plan *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
84. a hu___e cottage *adj.* having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance
85. the bottomless p_t *n.* a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit
86. su_____t a plot *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable

ANSWERS: 78. myth, 79. overcome, 80. coverage, 81. aggressive, 82. label, 83. disadvantage, 84. humble, 85. pit, 86. suspect

87. pa_____ic fervor *adj.* having or showing love for one's country and a desire for its success and welfare
88. fa___c of creation *n.* cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.
89. all ability to mo_____te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
90. economic th___t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
91. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
92. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
93. grow to be ob_____nt *adj.* willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do
94. und_____th the laughter *adv.* under or below something else
95. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
96. ind_____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
97. noun ph___e *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
98. st_____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

ANSWERS: 87. patriotic, 88. fabric, 89. motivate, 90. threat, 91. government, 92. transform, 93. obedient, 94. underneath, 95. thrive, 96. industrious, 97. phrase, 98. strength

99. co_____nt software *adj.* willing to comply with rules, requests, or demands
100. religious to_____ce *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
101. enc_____ng sign *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
102. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
103. foreign po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
104. cl__m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
105. lose some of my sh_____s *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
106. psy_____gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
107. fairly ty_____l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
108. hi____r international exchanges *v.* to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something

ANSWERS: 99. compliant, 100. tolerance, 101. encouraging, 102. communal, 103. policy, 104. claim, 105. shyness, 106. psychology, 107. typical, 108. hinder

109. a corrupt pol_____an *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
110. a pol_____an in the ruling party *n.* a person who is a member of a government or law-making organization, especially as an elected member of parliament, etc.
111. per_____on of a stimulus *n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
112. ov_____me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
113. the rh_____ic of a debate *n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
114. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
115. ind_____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
116. sh_____s barrier *n.* the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people
117. natural phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood

ANSWERS: 109. politician, 110. politician, 111. perception, 112. overcome, 113. rhetoric, 114. threaten, 115. industrious, 116. shyness, 117. phenomenon

118. el_____te sexual barriers *v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something
119. en_____e a contract *v.* to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation
120. re_____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
121. pa_____ic duty *adj.* having or showing love for one's country and a desire for its success and welfare
122. es_____al amino acid *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
123. a ne_____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
124. su_____t that he is sick *v.* to consider anything to be actual or probable
125. ov_____ok a street *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
126. negative ste_____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
127. pro_____da campaign *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
128. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
129. pe_____de enough people *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion

ANSWERS: 118. eliminate, 119. enforce, 120. release, 121. patriotic, 122. essential, 123. negative, 124. suspect, 125. overlook, 126. stereotype, 127. propaganda, 128. communal, 129. persuade

130. muscular st____th *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
131. es_____al commodities of life *adj.* indispensable; fundamental
132. und_____th the surface of the water *adv.* under or below something else
133. co_____nt regulations *adj.* willing to comply with rules, requests, or demands
134. ra___l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
135. high-flown rh_____ic *n.* speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form
136. self-serving pro_____da *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
137. psy_____gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
138. binational ac____d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
139. 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
140. a profit ma____n *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

ANSWERS: 130. strength, 131. essential, 132. underneath, 133. compliant, 134. racial, 135. rhetoric, 136. propaganda, 137. psychology, 138. accord, 139. cast, 140. margin

141. mat_____tic lifestyle *adj.* concerned primarily with material possessions rather than spiritual or intellectual values; adhering to a philosophy that places a high value on material goods or wealth
142. in_____ct a student *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
143. an in_____or poet *adj.* lower in rank, status, or quality
144. di_____it a witness *v.* to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
145. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
146. po_____it of a well-known figure *n.* a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face
147. historical phe_____on *n.* something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
148. ma_____n error *n.* the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
149. th_____e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
150. na_____ve poetry *n.* a story or a description of a series of events or process of telling a story
151. reg_____ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

ANSWERS: 141. materialistic, 142. instruct, 143. inferior, 144. discredit, 145. recognize, 146. portrait, 147. phenomenon, 148. margin, 149. thrive, 150. narrative, 151. regardless

152. ac___d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
153. as___e a lousy attitude to his boss *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
154. m__t in the morning *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
155. have a b__s toward socialism *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
156. re_____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
157. mat_____tic values *adj.* concerned primarily with material possessions rather than spiritual or intellectual values; adhering to a philosophy that places a high value on material goods or wealth
158. political tr_____r *n.* a person who betrays someone or something, such as a friend, cause, or principle, to which they had previously been loyal; a person who commits treason against their country or sovereign
159. de_____e this prize *v.* to be worthy of or entitled to something, especially something good or valuable
160. ra___l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

ANSWERS: 152. accord, 153. assume, 154. mist, 155. bias, 156. release, 157. materialistic, 158. traitor, 159. deserve, 160. racial

161. con_____ly aware of a problem *adv.* with awareness; in a deliberate manner
162. fine m__t *n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
163. unc_____us bias *adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
164. in_____or quality *adj.* lower in rank, status, or quality
165. attempt to pe_____de *v.* to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
166. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
167. er__e a memory *v.* to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it
168. p__r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
169. hi_____hy of folders *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
170. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
171. um_____la ban *n.* a device consisting of a circular canopy of cloth on a central pole used as protection against rain or sometimes against the sun

ANSWERS: 161. consciously, 162. mist, 163. unconscious, 164. inferior, 165. persuade, 166. background, 167. erase, 168. peer, 169. hierarchy, 170. threaten, 171. umbrella

172. q_o warranto *n.* the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
173. st____le to get the job *v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
174. ov____ok that fact *v.* to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above
175. reg_____ss of the difficulties *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
176. tr____h of democracy *n.* a great victory or achievement
177. an int_____nt person *adj.* having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree
178. ready-made ph____es *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
179. in____ct a computer *v.* to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something
180. top of the hi_____hy *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
181. mass inc_____ion *n.* the state of being confined in prison or jail
182. a com_____ed process *adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze

ANSWERS: 172. quo, 173. struggle, 174. overlook, 175. regardless, 176. triumph, 177. intelligent, 178. phrase, 179. instruct, 180. hierarchy, 181. incarceration, 182. complicated

183. um_____la coverage *n.* a device consisting of a circular canopy of cloth on a central pole used as protection against rain or sometimes against the sun
184. a three-party co_____on *n.* a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
185. b__s against a big company *n.* a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
186. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
187. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
188. ty_____l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
189. as___e an important role *v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
190. have a ne_____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
191. dis_____ate against women employees *v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things

ANSWERS: 183. umbrella, 184. coalition, 185. bias, 186. background, 187. stereotype, 188. typical, 189. assume, 190. negative, 191. discriminate

192. severe cr___c

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

193. art cr___c

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

194. inc_____ion rates

n. the state of being confined in prison or jail

ANSWERS: 192. critic, 193. critic, 194. incarceration

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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

2. He was wearing a _____ T-shirt with the American flag on it.
adj. having or showing love for one's country and a desire for its success and welfare

3. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.
adj. indispensable; fundamental

4. Historically, many countries have often _____ certain religions to gain the support of the majority of the population.
v. to treat people in a cruel and authoritarian way, especially by denying them the same freedoms, rights, etc. as other people

5. She had a master's degree in _____.
n. the scientific study of mind and behavior

6. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

7. He was known for his powerful _____ and ability to persuade people with his words.
n. speech or writing intended to please or persuade someone; the art or study of using language effectively and persuasively in spoken or written form

8. Governments make rules, and police _____ them.
v. to make sure that people obey a particular law, rule, or situation

ANSWERS: 1. government, 2. patriotic, 3. essential, 4. oppressed, 5. psychology, 6. release, 7. rhetoric, 8. enforce

9. The company's unethical practices have _____ its brand image in the eyes of consumers.
- v.* to harm the reputation or credibility of someone or something; to make something appear untrue or unreliable
10. We bought a Spanish _____ book.
- n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
11. I know his _____ habit that he touches his face when he lies.
- adj.* in the state of lacking awareness and the capacity for sensory perception, especially as the result of a head injury or illness
12. The test results were _____ and showed improvement.
- adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring
13. You should not _____ against minorities.
- v.* to treat a person or particular group of people worse or better than another, especially in an unfair way; to recognize or perceive the difference between people or things
14. 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
15. She opened her _____ to protect herself from the rain.
- n.* a device consisting of a circular canopy of cloth on a central pole used as protection against rain or sometimes against the sun
16. The team's _____ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.
- n.* a great victory or achievement

ANSWERS: 9. discredited, 10. phrase, 11. unconscious, 12. encouraging, 13. discriminate, 14. individual, 15. umbrella, 16. triumph

17. The organization finally signed a peace _____.
- n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have
18. He could not _____ against temptation.
- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
19. 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
20. All peaceful cooperation is based _____ on mutual trust.
- adv.* mainly
21. The sun has risen, and the _____ has faded.
- n.* a cloud of very small drops of water collecting in the air just above the ground or water
22. He inserted the _____ into a split in the log.
- n.* a piece of wood, metal, or other material with one thick end and a narrow edge that is driven between two things or parts of objects to secure or separate them
23. The pandemic _____ the growth of the airline industry.
- v.* to make it difficult for someone to do something; to limit the development of something
24. We can _____ this possibility from those consumptions.
- v.* to remove or get rid of someone or something

ANSWERS: 17. accord, 18. struggle, 19. narrative, 20. primarily, 21. mist, 22. wedge, 23. hindered, 24. eliminate

25. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.
- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
26. Her _____ manner relaxed everyone there.
- adj.* having or showing a kindly or tender nature; soft and mild
27. He did _____ pen-and-ink drawings in just a few days.
- adj.* involving a lot of different things or parts in a way that is difficult to understand or analyze
28. He is a man admired for the depth of his _____.
- n.* a belief, opinion, or image you have based on how you regard, understand, or interpret something; the ability to see, hear, or notice something through the senses
29. The school's diversity program aimed to promote _____ and understanding among the students.
- n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
30. An _____ tide wrecked the ship.
- adj.* behaving in an angry, energetic, or threatening way towards another person; tending to spread quickly
31. She has taken a step up in the organizational _____.
- n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
32. A lack of education can be a significant _____ in today's job market.
- n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position

ANSWERS: 25. critics, 26. gentle, 27. complicated, 28. perception, 29. tolerance, 30. aggressive, 31. hierarchy, 32. disadvantage

33. This artwork is _____ of her work.

adj. having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

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

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

35. The facility manager _____ the security guards to be on high alert.

v. to teach someone practical skills or knowledge; to formally order or tell someone to do something

36. With the financial bubble bursting, the _____ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

37. The government used _____ pictures to spread its message of national unity.

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

38. The _____ employee was often overlooked for promotions despite his hard work.

adj. showing humility, gentleness, or submissiveness; lacking in assertiveness or aggressiveness; often used about someone who is excessively passive or deferential

39. The _____ dog followed its owner's commands.

adj. willing to do what someone in authority tells you to do

40. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.

adj. having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

ANSWERS: 33. typical, 34. violent, 35. instructed, 36. myth, 37. propaganda, 38. meek, 39. obedient, 40. negative

41. The ____ of the avocado can be removed by gently wedging a spoon around it.
n. a hole in the ground or a cavity in a surface; a place for storing or holding something; a section of a theater or sports arena where people can sit
42. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
43. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
44. His heartaches are less _____ now.
adj. happening constantly
45. The scandal received widespread media _____.
n. the reporting or news of an important event, sports, subject, etc.; the amount, range, area, or quality of something that something provides
46. The company's new _____ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.
n. a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
47. The following example _____ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
v. to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
48. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.
adj. of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)

ANSWERS: 41. pit, 42. industrious, 43. integrate, 44. frequent, 45. coverage, 46. policy, 47. assumes, 48. racial

49. That _____ shows that people are accepting the tax increase to some extent.
n. an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
50. The two largest opposition parties announced they would form a _____ in the next elections.
n. a temporary alliance formed by two or more political parties for combined action; the state of being combined into one body
51. The _____ detective investigated all clues.
adj. showing or characterized by care and effort in your work or duties
52. Overall _____ are approximately 400x200mm.
n. a measurable extent of a particular kind, such as width, height, or length
53. 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
54. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
55. The company has been successful in maintaining the status _____.
n. the existing state or condition of something, especially in relation to a particular situation or issue
56. The drama series mainly received _____.
n. an expression that shows approval and admiration of the achievements or characteristics of someone or something

ANSWERS: 49. survey, 50. coalition, 51. diligent, 52. dimensions, 53. cast, 54. threat, 55. quo, 56. praise

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

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

58. The ability to _____ people is a priceless asset.

v. to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

59. He finally overcame his _____.

n. the quality or state of being worried or embarrassed about meeting and speaking to other people

60. He was _____ for the duration of the war.

v. to put or keep somebody in prison or in a place from which they cannot escape

61. _____ robots that can cooperate with humans have limited motor output for safety.

adj. having the capacity for thought and reason, especially to a high degree

62. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.

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

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

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

64. Without investment, a business cannot _____.

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

ANSWERS: 57. deserved, 58. motivate, 59. shyness, 60. incarcerated, 61. Intelligent, 62. claim, 63. unique, 64. thrive

65. The nobler, the more _____.

adj. having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's quality or importance

66. The _____ lost his position in the end due to the scandal.

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

67. The cops _____ him of being the killer.

v. to consider anything to be actual or probable

68. He tried to _____ a bad reputation and win the election.

v. to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

69. The judge sentenced him to five years of _____ for embezzlement.

n. the state of being confined in prison or jail

70. We cannot _____ an opportunity for great success.

v. to fail to notice something; to watch over someone; to provide a view from above

71. The government branded him a _____ after he leaked classified information to the press.

n. a person who betrays someone or something, such as a friend, cause, or principle, to which they had previously been loyal; a person who commits treason against their country or sovereign

72. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

ANSWERS: 65. humble, 66. politician, 67. suspected, 68. overcome, 69. incarceration, 70. overlook, 71. traitor, 72. recognize

73. People can pick out superior products _____ of the quality of the advertising.

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

74. A well-known artist painted this lovely lady's _____.

n. a painting, picture; the likeness of a person, especially one showing the face

75. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.

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

76. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.

v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone

77. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.

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

78. He attempted to _____ the misspelled word.

v. to remove something completely, especially by rubbing it

79. These synthetic _____ are used in military vests because of their excellent abrasion resistance.

n. cloth or other material produced by weaving wool, cotton, silk, etc., used for making clothes, covering furniture, etc.

80. Among young people, _____ pressure can be pretty influential.

n. a person who has the same age, status, or ability

ANSWERS: 73. regardless, 74. portrait, 75. margin, 76. threatening, 77. movement, 78. erase, 79. fabrics, 80. peer

81. The _____ on the food package lists the ingredients and nutritional information.
n. a small piece of paper, fabric, or other material attached to an object and giving information about it; (verb) to assign to a category
82. My father's death _____ my life completely.
v. to change in outward structure or looks;
83. A rainbow is a natural _____.
n. something that exists and can be perceptible, especially one that is not fully understood
84. She tried to _____ her brother to join her on the trip, but he was too busy with work.
v. to convince or induce someone to do something by presenting a reason or argument; to sway or influence someone's decision or opinion
85. The penny fell _____ the piano.
adv. under or below something else
86. The company is committed to being _____ with industry regulations.
adj. willing to comply with rules, requests, or demands
87. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.
n. the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
88. The new employee's work was _____ to that of the experienced workers in the team.
adj. lower in rank, status, or quality

ANSWERS: 81. label, 82. transformed, 83. phenomenon, 84. persuade, 85. underneath, 86. compliant, 87. background, 88. inferior

89. Some people believe that the pursuit of wealth is a _____ goal.

adj. concerned primarily with material possessions rather than spiritual or intellectual values; adhering to a philosophy that places a high value on material goods or wealth

90. He was so _____ about his beliefs that he refused to listen to any other points of view.

adj. refusing to change one's mind or behavior despite persuasion or evidence to the contrary; unyielding; difficult to move or change

91. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

92. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

93. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

94. He _____ criticizes her in the publicity.

adv. with awareness; in a deliberate manner

95. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

96. During colonial eras, new migratory patterns _____.

v. to move out of or away from something and become visible

ANSWERS: 89. materialistic, 90. stubborn, 91. stereotypes, 92. associate, 93. Communal, 94. consciously, 95. strength, 96. emerged

97. She researched gender _____ in politics.

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

ANSWERS: 97. bias