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Session 1: Word List

fascinate

v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

synonym: captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

underwater

adv. below or under the surface of the water

synonym: submerged, undersea, submarine

(1) hold my breath **underwater**, (2) seals sleep **underwater**

He is good at swimming **underwater**.

shore

n. the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid

synonym: coast, seaside, beach

(1) a sandy **shore**, (2) **shore** up demand

The waves are beating against the **shore**.

urchin

n. a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines

synonym : mischief, waif, guttersnipe

(1) **urchin** child, (2) street **urchin**

The young boy was an **urchin** wandering the streets without a home.

industrialize

v. to organize the production of something into an industry

synonym : motorize

(1) **industrialize** service, (2) **industrialized** textile production

The nations of South East Asia will quickly **industrialize** and catch up with the West.

nail

n. a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes

synonym : pin, tack, fastener

(1) rusty **nail**, (2) **nail** clipper

He used a hammer and round **nail** to fix the loose board on the fence.

coffin

n. a box or container used to bury a dead body; a case or structure resembling a coffin

synonym : casket, box, chest

(1) **coffin** lid, (2) wooden **coffin**

The priest prayed over the **coffin** before it was lowered into the ground.

marine

adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there

synonym : sea-dwelling, maritime, aquatic

(1) **marine** insurance, (2) variety of **marine** life

Seals and whales are **marine** animals beloved by the people.

scuba

n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving

synonym : diving gear, underwater equipment

(1) **scuba** diving class, (2) **scuba** gear

The **scuba** divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym: keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

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.

dive

v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

synonym: dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

bass

n. the lowest part in polyphonic music; a type of fish belonging to the large order Perciformes, or perch-like fishes

synonym: low-pitch, resonance

(1) **bass** guitar, (2) **bass** fisherman

The **bass** in the music was so deep that it vibrated the floor.

octopus

n. a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)

synonym: devilfish

(1) giant **octopus**, (2) venomous **octopus**

He experienced nausea after eating live **octopus**.

scorpion

n. a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting

synonym : arachnid, stinger

(1) **scorpion** fish, (2) poisonous **scorpion**

The **scorpion's** venom can be lethal to humans.

seaweed

n. a plant that grows in the sea or on land very close to the sea, especially marine algae

synonym : kelp, algae

(1) floating **seaweed**, (2) **seaweed** broth

She soaked **seaweed** in water until tender.

bounce

v. to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back

synonym : bound, leap, spring

(1) **bounce** across the floor, (2) **bounce** back from failure

They will **bounce** between various emotional states.

miracle

n. an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

synonym : wonder, marvel, phenomenon

(1) **miracle** person, (2) economic **miracle**

The doctors said that her recovery was a **miracle**.

fishery

n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish

synonym : fishing, piscary, angling

(1) **fishery** management, (2) commercial **fishery**

The majority of the people on the island are **fishery** folk.

upset

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

synonym : disturbed, bothered, resentful

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

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

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.

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

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.

environment

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

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

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

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

desert

n. arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

(1) **desert** basin, (2) oasis in the **desert**

This region is predominantly **desert**.

kaleidoscope

n. a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events

(1) **kaleidoscope** of cultures, (2) **kaleidoscope** pattern
The **kaleidoscope** of colors in the sunset was breathtaking.

pristine

adj. new and completely free from dirt or contamination
synonym: chaste, pure, immaculate

(1) **pristine** beach, (2) maintain the **pristine** condition
It is terrific to camp in **pristine** nature.

jack

n. a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects

synonym: lever, crank, wrench

(1) a **jack** of all trades, (2) a line-in **jack**
He used a **jack** to lift the car to change the tire.

shark

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

synonym: swindler, con artist, crook

(1) a man-eating **shark**, (2) card **shark**
He borrowed money from a loan **shark**.

visionary

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

synonym: prophetic, far-sighted, imaginative

(1) **visionary** business, (2) **visionary** ideas
The **visionary** leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

convert

v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

synonym : alter, remake, transform

(1) **convert** fat into energy, (2) **convert** base 10 to base 16
I want to **convert** my sadness into strength.

planet

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

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**
Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

tame

v. to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

synonym : domesticate, soften, (adjective) harmless

(1) **tame** a wild beast, (2) a **tame** animal

We have to **tame** substantial financial deficits at first.

mass

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

synonym : abundance, crowd, mob

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

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

mammal

n. any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

(1) a primitive **mammal**, (2) a sort of **mammal**

Marine **mammal** populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.

domesticate

v. to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company

synonym : tame, naturalize, cultivate

(1) easy to **domesticate**, (2) **domesticate** the plant
We **domesticate** cows to gain milk and meat.

livestock

n. farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens

synonym: cattle, oxen, herd

(1) **livestock** agriculture, (2) **livestock** industry

Livestock feed is made from fodder crops.

temperature

n. the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place

synonym: climate, warmth, degree

(1) extreme **temperatures**, (2) the atmospheric **temperature**

Cities around the world set records for highest **temperatures** this summer.

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events

Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

fuel

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

synonym: energy, power, gas

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

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

rage

n. a strong feeling of anger or violence

synonym: fury, anger, outrage

(1) uncontrollable **rage**, (2) fall into a **rage**

She was filled with a burning **rage** at the injustice she had witnessed.

wildfire

n. a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain

slope

synonym : blaze, bonfire, flame

(1) **wildfire** spread, (2) arson-caused **wildfire**

The **wildfire** destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

grassland

n. a large area of land covered mainly by grass, with few or no trees, and typically used for grazing livestock

synonym : meadow, plain, savanna

(1) endangered **grassland**, (2) vast **grassland**

Meadows and pastures are examples of smaller-scale **grasslands** in many parts of the world.

ash

n. the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation

synonym : cinder, soot, dust

(1) **ash** tree, (2) soda **ash**

The volcanic **ash** covered the island after the eruption.

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.

coral

n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry

(1) **coral** island, (2) **coral** ornament

She is wearing a **coral** necklace.

reef

n. a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

(1) barrier **reef**, (2) coral **reefs**

The vessel ran aground on a **reef**.

rewild

v. to restore an area of land to its natural state, especially by reintroducing locally extinct species

synonym: restore, return, rehabilitate

(1) **rewild** land, (2) **rewild** an area

The government is considering a plan to **rewild** certain areas by reintroducing native species and removing non-native ones.

disaster

n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life

synonym: catastrophe, calamity, tragedy

(1) global **disaster**, (2) **disaster** recovery

The **disaster** response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.

emission

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

synonym: emanation, radiation, discharge

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

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

greenhouse

n. a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in

synonym: conservatory

(1) exotic plants in a **greenhouse**, (2) emissions of **greenhouse** gases

The **greenhouse** effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.

excess

n. an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable

synonym: exuberance, glut, surplus

(1) lose **excess** weight, (2) an **excess** of exports

The road of **excess** leads to the palace of wisdom.

carbon

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

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

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

pollution

n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

synonym: corrosion, deterioration, corruption

(1) environmental **pollution**, (2) high levels of air **pollution**

The **pollution** is endangering the local plants and animals.

atmosphere

n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

synonym: air, ambiance, circumstances

(1) carbon dioxide in the **atmosphere**, (2) a convivial **atmosphere**

The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's **atmosphere**.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym: catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

peatland

n. an area covered with peat (= a partially decayed organic matter formed from plants)

synonym: bog, marsh, moor

(1) **peatland** ecosystem, (2) **peatland** bog

The preservation of **peatlands** is crucial in mitigating climate change, as they help regulate the Earth's temperature and reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide.

mangrove

n. a tropical coastal tree or shrub that grows in saline soil and has prop roots that help to stabilize it

(1) **mangrove** forest, (2) **mangrove** swamp

The **mangrove** trees are known for their ability to survive in saltwater and sandy soil.

kelp

n. a large brown seaweed that grows in cold coastal waters

synonym : seaweed, marine algae

(1) **kelp** forest, (2) giant **kelp**

The coast was lined with beds of **kelp** swaying in the tide.

efficient

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

synonym : productive, effective, competent

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

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

removal

n. the act of taking something away or off from a particular place

synonym : extraction, elimination, eradication

(1) dental tartar **removal**, (2) **removal** truck

The **removal** of the statue caused much controversy in the community.

biodiversity

n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment

(1) **biodiversity** conservation, (2) loss of **biodiversity**

The country was instrumental in promoting the **biodiversity** treaty.

absorb

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

synonym : consume, soak, ingest

(1) **absorb** energy, (2) **absorb** a shock

The sponge **absorbs** water well.

stabilize

v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way

synonym : brace, steady, secure

(1) **stabilize** prices, (2) **stabilize** blood sugar levels

The raising of interest rates **stabilizes** the inflation rate.

climate

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

synonym : atmosphere, weather, environment

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

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

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.

economical

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

synonym : frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

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

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

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.

storage

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

synonym : storehouse, depository, warehousing

(1) a **storage** battery, (2) **storage** at low temperature
We store customer data in cloud **storage**.

mitigate

v. to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something

synonym: alleviate, relieve, reduce

(1) **mitigate** risk, (2) **mitigate** a natural disaster

Efforts to **mitigate** the effects of climate change require a coordinated and sustained effort by governments, businesses, and individuals.

isolation

n. the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups

synonym: aloneness, seclusion, separateness

(1) **isolation** booth, (2) the country's **isolation**

That incident led to his **isolation**.

trade-off

n. a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise

synonym: compromise, balance, exchange

(1) **trade-off** problem, (2) environmental **trade-off**

There was a **trade-off** between speed and accuracy in the task.

develop

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

synonym: evolve, progress, advance

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

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

framework

n. the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying

structure of a system, concept, or text

synonym : structure, scheme, foundation

(1) legal **framework**, (2) the **framework** of a house

He devised a new analytical **framework** to capture the phenomenon.

optimize

v. to make the best or most effective use of something

synonym : advance, amend, improve

(1) **optimize** a process, (2) **optimize** control for cooling

The essence of economics is to **optimize** the allocation of limited resources.

maximum

adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

synonym : peak, top, highest

(1) **maximum** limit, (2) the **maximum** speed

The **maximum** temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

preserve

v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

synonym : conserve, care for, maintain

(1) **preserve** my strength, (2) **preserve** a country's heritage

They worked hard to **preserve** the nature of their native lands.

analyze

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

synonym : explore, examine, investigate

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

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

geography

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

synonym : landscape, terrain, topography

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

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

launch

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

synonym : start, initiate, begin

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

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

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym : empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

ambition

n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

synonym : purpose, aim, endeavor

(1) an **ambition** for political power, (2) boundless **ambition**

Greed and **ambition** composed his personality.

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.

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.

reduction

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

synonym: diminution, decrease, cutback

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

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

responsible

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

(1) **responsible** action, (2) **responsible** for a customer service

She's a **responsible** pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

involve

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

synonym: implicate, include, engage

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

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

combination

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

synonym: blend, hybrid, compounding

(1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym: approach, procedure, scenario

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

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

indigenous

adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

synonym : domestic, endemic, primitive

(1) **indigenous** crop, (2) **indigenous** peoples

The **indigenous** plants need to be pollinated by local insects.

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.

conventional

adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.

synonym : ancestral, customary, established

(1) a **conventional** style, (2) get a **conventional** loan

She is very **conventional** in her thoughts.

conservation

n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

synonym : preservation, protection, saving

(1) soil **conservation**, (2) the **conservation** law of physics

The forest was recently designated a **conservation** area.

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.

recognition

n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

synonym : acknowledgement, identification, credit

(1) **recognition** award, (2) joint **recognition**

He was given **recognition** for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

moral

adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.

synonym: honest, ethical, conscientious

(1) **moral** hazard, (2) **moral** burden

Ethics deals with **moral** conduct.

afford

v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost

He cannot **afford** a holiday.

fraction

n. a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers

synonym: piece, part, fragment

(1) a **fractional** share of the vote, (2) a numerator in a **fraction**

He spent only a **fraction** of his earnings.

subsidize

v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially

synonym: finance, endow, sponsor

(1) **subsidize** the project, (2) **subsidize** the cost

Governments **subsidize** renewable energy generation in various ways.

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.

pollute

v. to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals

synonym: contaminate, corrupt, degrade

(1) **pollute** the air, (2) **pollute** the thread

We should do our best not to **pollute** the environment.

soil

n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow

synonym: earth, ground, mud

(1) **soils** retentive of moisture, (2) parched **soil**

Soil moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.

reverse

v. to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

synonym: overturn, shift, switch

(1) **reverse** the trend, (2) **reverse** the order

The restaurant **reversed** a ban on smoking.

destruction

n. the act of causing so much damage to something

synonym: devastation, annihilation, ruin

(1) path of **destruction**, (2) cyclonic **destruction**

The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat **destruction**.

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.

profit

n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

(1) gross **profit**, (2) make a **profit**

This business yields little **profit**.

recover

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

synonym: come back, convalesce, heal

(1) **recover** a loss, (2) **recover** approval ratings

She is still **recovering** from a shot to her shoulder.

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**.

Session 2: Spelling

1. global di____er *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
2. ma____ve swamp *n.* a tropical coastal tree or shrub that grows in saline soil and has prop roots that help to stabilize it
3. hold my breath und____er *adv.* below or under the surface of the water
4. a fr____onal share of the vote *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
5. critical m__s *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
6. ca____n dioxide *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
7. kal____ope pattern *n.* a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events
8. rusty n__l *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes

ANSWERS: 1. disaster, 2. mangrove, 3. underwater, 4. fraction, 5. mass, 6. carbon, 7. kaleidoscope, 8. nail

9. variety of ma___e life *adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
10. ma____ve forest *n.* a tropical coastal tree or shrub that grows in saline soil and has prop roots that help to stabilize it
11. arson-caused wi____re *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
12. ind____us student *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
13. is____on booth *n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
14. ind____us worker *adj.* hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
15. d_m-building program *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy
16. pr____ne beach *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
17. a cold cl____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
18. ca____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
19. ur____n child *n.* a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines

ANSWERS: 9. marine, 10. mangrove, 11. wildfire, 12. industrious, 13. isolation, 14. industrious, 15. dam, 16. pristine, 17. climate, 18. capture, 19. urchin

20. b__s fisherman *n.* the lowest part in polyphonic music; a type of fish belonging to the large order Perciformes, or perch-like fishes
21. fl__d advisory *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
22. de___e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
23. wooden co___n *n.* a box or container used to bury a dead body; a case or structure resembling a coffin
24. street ur___n *n.* a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines
25. 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
26. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
27. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
28. the em_____on of light *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
29. an_____e your real motives *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning

ANSWERS: 20. bass, 21. flood, 22. decide, 23. coffin, 24. urchin, 25. coalition, 26. individual, 27. economical, 28. emission, 29. analyze

30. ind_____us crop *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
31. mo__l hazard *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
32. a convivial atm_____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
33. loss of bio_____ity *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
34. a j__k of all trades *n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects
35. economic ge_____hy *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
36. pl___t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
37. kal_____ope of cultures *n.* a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events
38. d_m collapsing *n.* a wall constructed over a river to block the flow of water, mainly used to generate energy

ANSWERS: 30. indigenous, 31. moral, 32. atmosphere, 33. biodiversity, 34. jack, 35. geography, 36. planet, 37. kaleidoscope, 38. dam

39. maintain the pr____ne condition *adj.* new and completely free from dirt or contamination
40. wi____re spread *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
41. a primitive ma____l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
42. a fl__d of questions *n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
43. la____h a spaceship into orbit *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
44. bo____e back from failure *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
45. coral r__fs *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
46. op____ze a process *v.* to make the best or most effective use of something
47. co____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
48. res____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
49. ef____nt operation *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

ANSWERS: 39. pristine, 40. wildfire, 41. mammal, 42. flood, 43. launch, 44. bounce, 45. reef, 46. optimize, 47. communal, 48. responsible, 49. efficient

50. global em_____ons of greenhouse gases *n.* the act of production or sending out gas, heat, light, etc.
51. save the pl____t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
52. easy to dom_____te *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
53. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
54. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
55. a m__s of molten rock *n.* a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together
56. commercial fi_____y *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
57. the atmospheric tem_____re *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
58. the fr_____rk of a house *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
59. smokeless f__l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
60. de____t basin *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks

ANSWERS: 50. emission, 51. planet, 52. domesticate, 53. communal, 54. involve, 55. mass, 56. fishery, 57. temperature, 58. framework, 59. fuel, 60. desert

61. path of des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
62. co_____t fat into energy *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
63. pr_____ve a country's heritage *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
64. sh__e up demand *n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
65. th_____en national security *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
66. a sort of ma____l *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
67. get a con_____nal loan *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
68. a numerator in a fr_____on *n.* a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
69. t__e a wild beast *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
70. carbon dioxide in the atm_____re *n.* the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work

ANSWERS: 61. destruction, 62. convert, 63. preserve, 64. shore, 65. threaten, 66. mammal, 67. conventional, 68. fraction, 69. tame, 70. atmosphere

71. pe____nd bog *n.* an area covered with peat (= a partially decayed organic matter formed from plants)
72. a con_____nal style *adj.* based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
73. dom_____te the plant *v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
74. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
75. floating se_____d *n.* a plant that grows in the sea or on land very close to the sea, especially marine algae
76. military st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
77. re____d an area *v.* to restore an area of land to its natural state, especially by reintroducing locally extinct species
78. co____n lid *n.* a box or container used to bury a dead body; a case or structure resembling a coffin
79. a t__e animal *v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training
80. endangered gr_____nd *n.* a large area of land covered mainly by grass, with few or no trees, and typically used for grazing livestock
81. parched s__l *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow

ANSWERS: 71. peatland, 72. conventional, 73. domesticate, 74. climate, 75. seaweed, 76. strategy, 77. rewild, 78. coffin, 79. tame, 80. grassland, 81. soil

82. th___e on pressure *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
83. th_____en a healthy relationship *v.* to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
84. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
85. genic com_____ons *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
86. re_____r approval ratings *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
87. lose ex___s weight *n.* an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
88. a man-eating sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
89. the ma_____m speed *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
90. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
91. re_____r a loss *v.* to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength
92. pr_____ve my strength *v.* to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed
93. a line-in j__k *n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects

ANSWERS: 82. thrive, 83. threaten, 84. thrive, 85. combination, 86. recover, 87. excess, 88. shark, 89. maximum, 90. individual, 91. recover, 92. preserve, 93. jack

94. vi_____ry business *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
95. tr_____ff problem *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
96. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
97. st_____ze prices *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
98. co_____t base 10 to base 16 *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
99. re_____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
100. la____h a big attack *v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
101. giant k__p *n.* a large brown seaweed that grows in cold coastal waters
102. mi_____te a natural disaster *v.* to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something
103. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
104. d__e off a cliff *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

ANSWERS: 94. visionary, 95. trade-off, 96. involve, 97. stabilize, 98. convert, 99. reserve, 100. launch, 101. kelp, 102. mitigate, 103. massive, 104. dive

105. ind_____ized textile production *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
106. cyclonic des_____on *n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
107. re_____e the order *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear
108. legal fr_____rk *n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
109. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
110. an am_____on for political power *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
111. de_____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
112. mi_____e person *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
113. high levels of air po_____on *n.* the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

ANSWERS: 105. industrialize, 106. destruction, 107. reverse, 108. framework, 109. nation, 110. ambition, 111. develop, 112. miracle, 113. pollution

114. re_____on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
115. mo__l burden *adj.* concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
116. a comprehensive su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
117. an ex____s of exports *n.* an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable
118. d__e into anime communities *v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
119. fall into a r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
120. env_____nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
121. li_____ck industry *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
122. co__l island *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
123. se_____d broth *n.* a plant that grows in the sea or on land very close to the sea, especially marine algae
124. b__s guitar *n.* the lowest part in polyphonic music; a type of fish belonging to the large order Perciformes, or perch-like fishes
125. re_____e the trend *v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

ANSWERS: 114. reduction, 115. moral, 116. survey, 117. excess, 118. dive, 119. rage, 120. environment, 121. livestock, 122. coral, 123. seaweed, 124. bass, 125. reverse

126. co__l ornament *n.* a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
127. chaotic env_____nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
128. soil con_____ion *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
129. sc__a gear *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
130. ca_____e a glimpse *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
131. vi_____ry ideas *adj.* having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative
132. bo___e across the floor *v.* to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back
133. boundless am_____on *n.* a strong wish to do or achieve something
134. ca___n emission *n.* a chemical element that can be found in pure form as diamond or graphite, and it is also an essential part of coal and oil and is found in all plants and animals
135. re___d land *v.* to restore an area of land to its natural state, especially by reintroducing locally extinct species

ANSWERS: 126. coral, 127. environment, 128. conservation, 129. scuba, 130. capture, 131. visionary, 132. bounce, 133. ambition, 134. carbon, 135. rewild

136. venomous oc____s *n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)
137. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
138. fa_____te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
139. barrier r__f *n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface
140. op_____ze control for cooling *v.* to make the best or most effective use of something
141. recent su____y *n.* an investigation of the opinions, behavior, etc. of a particular group of people, made by asking people questions
142. st_____ze blood sugar levels *v.* to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
143. com_____on number *n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
144. giant oc____s *n.* a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)
145. have an up__t stomach *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
146. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 136. octopus, 137. responsible, 138. fascinate, 139. reef, 140. optimize, 141. survey, 142. stabilize, 143. combination, 144. octopus, 145. upset, 146. government

147. bio_____ity conservation *n.* the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
148. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
149. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
150. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
151. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
152. biomass f___l *n.* a substance that is typically burned to generate heat or energy
153. af___d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
154. vast gr_____nd *n.* a large area of land covered mainly by grass, with few or no trees, and typically used for grazing livestock
155. dental tartar re_____l *n.* the act of taking something away or off from a particular place
156. poisonous sc_____on *n.* a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting

ANSWERS: 147. biodiversity, 148. expand, 149. reserve, 150. develop, 151. government, 152. fuel, 153. afford, 154. grassland, 155. removal, 156. scorpion

157. su_____ze the cost *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
158. gross pr____t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
159. a_h tree *n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation
160. the con_____ion law of physics *n.* the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity
161. ex____d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
162. 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
163. sc__a diving class *n.* an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
164. ab____b energy *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
165. emissions of gre_____se gases *n.* a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in

ANSWERS: 157. subsidize, 158. profit, 159. ash, 160. conservation, 161. expand, 162. coalition, 163. scuba, 164. absorb, 165. greenhouse

166. card sh__k *n.* a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest
167. ma_____m limit *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
168. ind_____ize service *v.* to organize the production of something into an industry
169. fa_____te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
170. de___e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
171. a sandy sh__e *n.* the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
172. ex_____e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
173. mi_____te risk *v.* to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something
174. economic mi_____e *n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God
175. li_____ck agriculture *n.* farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens
176. develop a st_____gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

ANSWERS: 166. shark, 167. maximum, 168. industrialize, 169. fascinate, 170. decide, 171. shore, 172. extreme, 173. mitigate, 174. miracle, 175. livestock, 176. strategy

177. a gradual re_____on *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
178. extreme tem_____res *n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
179. get up__t *adj.* causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
180. rec_____on award *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
181. s__ls retentive of moisture *n.* the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
182. fi_____y management *n.* an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish
183. ex_____e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
184. ind_____us peoples *adj.* someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place
185. environmental tr_____ff *n.* a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
186. a st_____e battery *n.* the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

ANSWERS: 177. reduction, 178. temperature, 179. upset, 180. recognition, 181. soil, 182. fishery, 183. extreme, 184. indigenous, 185. trade-off, 186. storage

187. di_____er recovery *n.* an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
188. pe_____nd ecosystem *n.* an area covered with peat (= a partially decayed organic matter formed from plants)
189. establish his ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
190. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
191. soda a_h *n.* the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation
192. ge_____hy class *n.* a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
193. a seafaring na____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
194. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
195. ma_____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
196. uncontrollable r__e *n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence
197. the country's is_____on *n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups

ANSWERS: 187. disaster, 188. peatland, 189. kingdom, 190. economical, 191. ash, 192. geography, 193. nation, 194. afford, 195. massive, 196. rage, 197. isolation

198. n__l clipper *n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
199. make a pr___t *n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
200. su_____ze the project *v.* to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
201. po_____e the air *v.* to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals
202. k__p forest *n.* a large brown seaweed that grows in cold coastal waters
203. joint rec_____on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
204. an_____e a chemical compound *v.* to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
205. oasis in the de___t *n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
206. energy-ef_____nt appliances *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

ANSWERS: 198. nail, 199. profit, 200. subsidize, 201. pollute, 202. kelp, 203. recognition, 204. analyze, 205. desert, 206. efficient

207. re_____l truck
n. the act of taking something away or off from a particular place
208. sc_____on fish
n. a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting
209. environmental po_____on
n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change
210. exotic plants in a gre_____se
n. a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in
211. ma___e insurance
adj. relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
212. ab___b a shock
v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
213. po_____e the thread
v. to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals
214. a subordinate ki_____m
n. the country ruled by a king or queen
215. seals sleep und_____er
adv. below or under the surface of the water
216. st_____e at low temperature
n. the act or process of putting in and keeping something in a particular place for use in the future; an electronic memory device that can store information

ANSWERS: 207. removal, 208. scorpion, 209. pollution, 210. greenhouse, 211. marine, 212. absorb, 213. pollute, 214. kingdom, 215. underwater, 216. storage

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. 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

2. The road of _____ leads to the palace of wisdom.
n. an amount or quantity beyond what is acceptable, expected, or reasonable

3. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.
adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

4. They worked hard to _____ the nature of their native lands.
v. to keep or maintain a particular quality, feature, etc., especially to prevent it from decaying, being damaged, or being destroyed

5. The _____ plants need to be pollinated by local insects.
adj. someone or something that is native to or occurring naturally in a particular place

6. The government is considering a plan to _____ certain areas by reintroducing native species and removing non-native ones.
v. to restore an area of land to its natural state, especially by reintroducing locally extinct species

7. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.
v. to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else

ANSWERS: 1. decide, 2. excess, 3. industrious, 4. preserve, 5. indigenous, 6. rewild, 7. involves

8. She's a _____ pet owner who ensures her dog gets enough exercise and a healthy diet.

adj. answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management

9. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.

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

10. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

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

11. The majority of the people on the island are _____ folk.

n. an area of water where fish are caught in large quantities for living; a business or practice of catching and selling fish

12. The forest was recently designated a _____ area.

n. the protection of something important, such as the natural environment or artificial structures, especially from the damaging effects of human activity

13. He experienced nausea after eating live _____.

n. a sea creature with a soft round body and eight long tentacles (= long parts like arms)

14. There are five distinct _____ at five unique wavelengths.

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

ANSWERS: 8. responsible, 9. environment, 10. develop, 11. fishery, 12. conservation, 13. octopus, 14. emissions

15. The _____ of the statue caused much controversy in the community.
n. the act of taking something away or off from a particular place
16. The _____ temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.
adj. the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
17. She did well on her _____ exam.
n. a field of science devoted to the study of the lands, features, inhabitants, and phenomena of the Earth
18. Efforts to _____ the effects of climate change require a coordinated and sustained effort by governments, businesses, and individuals.
v. to make less severe or less intense; to alleviate or lessen the adverse effects of something
19. I was able to _____ the moment on film.
v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
20. I want to _____ my sadness into strength.
v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
21. Governments _____ renewable energy generation in various ways.
v. to pay part of the cost of something to support an organization, activity, etc. financially
22. The _____ of people who do not own property is politically impotent.
n. a large amount of a substance with no definite shape or form; a large number of people or things grouped or crowded together

ANSWERS: 15. removal, 16. maximum, 17. geography, 18. mitigate, 19. capture, 20. convert, 21. subsidize, 22. mass

23. The teacher attempted to _____ the root cause of our mistake.
v. to think about in-depth and evaluate to discover essential features or meaning
24. 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
25. Ethics deals with _____ conduct.
adj. concerned with the principles of what is right and wrong, fairness, honesty, etc.
26. The essence of economics is to _____ the allocation of limited resources.
v. to make the best or most effective use of something
27. The country was instrumental in promoting the _____ treaty.
n. the number and variety of plants and animals that exist in a particular area or the world and make a balanced environment
28. He was given _____ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.
n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
29. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
30. Meadows and pastures are examples of smaller-scale _____ in many parts of the world.
n. a large area of land covered mainly by grass, with few or no trees, and typically used for grazing livestock

ANSWERS: 23. analyze, 24. survey, 25. moral, 26. optimize, 27. biodiversity, 28. recognition, 29. Climate, 30. grasslands

31. He used a hammer and round _____ to fix the loose board on the fence.
- n.* a thin, pointed piece of metal with a flat head used for fastening things together; the thin hard layer covering and protecting the outer tip of the fingers or toes
32. The _____ to the safe was a secret.
- n.* a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
33. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.
- v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
34. We _____ cows to gain milk and meat.
- v.* to take control of animals or plants to provide food, power, or company
35. This business yields little _____.
- n.* money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
36. Cities around the world set records for highest _____ this summer.
- n.* the degree of hotness or coldness of a thing or place
37. The sponge _____ water well.
- v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
38. This region is predominantly _____.
- n.* arid land with little or no vegetation often covered with sand or rocks
39. She was filled with a burning _____ at the injustice she had witnessed.
- n.* a strong feeling of anger or violence

ANSWERS: 31. nail, 32. combination, 33. reserve, 34. domesticate, 35. profit, 36. temperatures, 37. absorbs, 38. desert, 39. rage

40. She soaked _____ in water until tender.

- n.* a plant that grows in the sea or on land very close to the sea, especially marine algae

41. He used a _____ to lift the car to change the tire.

- n.* a mechanical device used for lifting or supporting heavy objects

42. The restaurant _____ a ban on smoking.

- v.* to change something's direction, order, position, decision, etc., to the opposite one; (adjective) directed or moving toward the rear

43. Without investment, a business cannot _____.

- v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

44. The young boy was an _____ wandering the streets without a home.

- n.* a poor and mischievous young child, usually living on the street or in a disadvantaged community; a small, spiny marine animal with a round body and long, pointed spines

45. The doctors said that her recovery was a _____.

- n.* an act or occurrence that is not explicable by natural or scientific laws and is therefore believed to be caused by God

46. We have to _____ substantial financial deficits at first.

- v.* to make wild animals domesticated or controlled, especially through specific training; (adjective) not dangerous or afraid of people, either naturally or because of specific training

47. Marine _____ populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.

- n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body

ANSWERS: 40. seaweed, 41. jack, 42. reversed, 43. thrive, 44. urchin, 45. miracle, 46. tame, 47. mammal

48. He devised a new analytical _____ to capture the phenomenon.
- n.* the structural components of a building or object that support its weight and give it form; the underlying structure of a system, concept, or text
49. The company is set to _____ its new product line next month.
- v.* to send or propel something into the air or space using a device such as a rocket, missile, or spacecraft; to make something available or on sale for the first time
50. Seals and whales are _____ animals beloved by the people.
- adj.* relating to the sea and the creatures and plants that live there
51. The extinction of several subspecies has been linked to climate change and habitat _____.
- n.* the act of causing so much damage to something
52. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.
- n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
53. 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
54. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.
- adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
55. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.
- v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

ANSWERS: 48. framework, 49. launch, 50. marine, 51. destruction, 52. kingdom, 53. government, 54. economical, 55. dive

56. The coast was lined with beds of _____ swaying in the tide.
n. a large brown seaweed that grows in cold coastal waters
57. There was a _____ between speed and accuracy in the task.
n. a balance achieved between two desirable but incompatible features; an exchange that occurs as a compromise
58. The _____ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.
n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree
59. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
60. The _____ divers explored the coral reefs to learn more about the ecosystem.
n. an acronym for Self-Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus, a device used for underwater diving
61. He was awfully _____ by the news.
adj. causing or marked by anxiety, uneasiness, trouble, or grief; (verb) to make someone anxious, unhappy, or angry
62. The waves are beating against the _____.
n. the land along the edge of a sea, lake, broad river, or other large body of water; (verb) to support by placing against something solid or rigid
63. The nations of South East Asia will quickly _____ and catch up with the West.
v. to organize the production of something into an industry

ANSWERS: 56. kelp, 57. trade-off, 58. reduction, 59. Communal, 60. scuba, 61. upset, 62. shore, 63. industrialize

64. 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

65. 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

66. The _____ venom can be lethal to humans.

n. a small creature similar to an insect with a segmented body, a pair of pincers, and a long, thin tail that ends in a venomous sting

67. The volcanic ____ covered the island after the eruption.

n. the powdery residue left after the burning of a substance, typically containing minerals and other impurities; the solid remains of a dead person after cremation

68. He borrowed money from a loan _____.

n. a long-bodied, mostly predatory marine fish that has sharp teeth and a pointed fin on its back; a person who is ruthless, greedy, and dishonest

69. He is good at swimming _____.

adv. below or under the surface of the water

70. They will _____ between various emotional states.

v. to cause to move up or away after hitting a surface; to spring back

71. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

ANSWERS: 64. individual, 65. dam, 66. scorpion's, 67. ash, 68. shark, 69. underwater, 70. bounce, 71. massive

72. The _____ trees are known for their ability to survive in saltwater and sandy soil.
- n.* a tropical coastal tree or shrub that grows in saline soil and has prop roots that help to stabilize it
73. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
- n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
74. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
75. The _____ in the music was so deep that it vibrated the floor.
- n.* the lowest part in polyphonic music; a type of fish belonging to the large order Perciformes, or perch-like fishes
76. He cannot _____ a holiday.
- v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
77. These heavy rains caused flash _____ on several islands.
- n.* a large amount of water flowing beyond its normal limits; an overwhelming number or amount
78. 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
79. The vessel ran aground on a _____.
- n.* a long chain or range of rocks or sand near the ocean's surface

ANSWERS: 72. mangrove, 73. planet, 74. nation, 75. bass, 76. afford, 77. floods, 78. coalition, 79. reef

80. She is still _____ from a shot to her shoulder.

v. to return to a former condition, health, mind, or strength

81. _____ feed is made from fodder crops.

n. farm animals and birds such as cows, sheep, and chickens

82. It is terrific to camp in _____ nature.

adj. new and completely free from dirt or contamination

83. The preservation of _____ is crucial in mitigating climate change, as they help regulate the Earth's temperature and reduce atmospheric carbon dioxide.

n. an area covered with peat (= a partially decayed organic matter formed from plants)

84. Trees absorb _____ dioxide and give off oxygen.

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

85. The _____ destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

n. a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope

86. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

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

87. That incident led to his _____.

n. the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups

ANSWERS: 80. recovering, 81. Livestock, 82. pristine, 83. peatlands, 84. carbon, 85. wildfire, 86. expand, 87. isolation

88. The raising of interest rates _____ the inflation rate.
v. to become or cause to become steady or unlikely to give way
89. He spent only a _____ of his earnings.
n. a small part or item forming a piece of a whole; the quotient of two rational numbers
90. The _____ of colors in the sunset was breathtaking.
n. a toy or optical instrument made up of mirrors and pieces of colored glass or plastic, which produce changing patterns and images when rotated; a constantly changing succession of different things or events
91. The magic tricks _____ the children.
v. to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
92. She is very _____ in her thoughts.
adj. based on or following traditional rules, standards, customs, etc.
93. She is wearing a _____ necklace.
n. a rock-like substance created in the sea by groupings of specific types of small animals, commonly used in jewelry
94. We should do our best not to _____ the environment.
v. to make an area or substance, such as land, air, water, etc., dirty or harmful to living things by adding waste matter or harmful chemicals
95. The _____ effect is a phenomenon that happens naturally.
n. a building with walls and roof made chiefly of transparent material, such as glass, for growing plants in

ANSWERS: 88. stabilizes, 89. fraction, 90. kaleidoscope, 91. fascinated, 92. conventional, 93. coral, 94. pollute, 95. greenhouse

96. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

adj. very great in amount or degree

97. The priest prayed over the _____ before it was lowered into the ground.

n. a box or container used to bury a dead body; a case or structure resembling a coffin

98. The _____ leader had a clear plan for the company's future.

adj. having or showing exceptional foresight and imagination; not practical or realizable; speculative

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

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

100. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

101. The _____ scarcity most severely impacted the manufacturing sector

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

102. The _____ is endangering the local plants and animals.

n. the introduction of harmful substances or waste into the natural environment that causes adverse change

103. We store customer data in cloud _____.

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

ANSWERS: 96. extreme, 97. coffin, 98. visionary, 99. efficient, 100. strategy, 101. fuel, 102. pollution, 103. storage

104. _____ moisture is another significant component controlling soil respiration.
n. the top layer of Earth in which plants grow
105. The _____ response team worked around the clock to aid those affected by the earthquake.
n. an unexpected event or series of events that cause widespread damage, destruction, or loss of life
106. Various artificially induced causes are _____ our ecosystem.
v. to utter intentions of injury or punishment against someone
107. The spaceship began to burn up as it approached the Earth's _____.
n. the mass of air that surrounds the Earth; the pervading tone or mood of a place, situation, or creative work
108. Greed and _____ composed his personality.
n. a strong wish to do or achieve something

ANSWERS: 104. Soil, 105. disaster, 106. threatening, 107. atmosphere, 108. ambition