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Session 1: Word List

accuracy

n. the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake

synonym: precision, exactness, truthfulness

(1) degree of **accuracy**, (2) the **accuracy** of his compass
To assure **accuracy**, I recommend investing in high-quality test kits.

storytelling

n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories

synonym: narrating, relating, recounting

(1) **storytelling** performance, (2) courtroom **storytelling**
She was skilled in **storytelling** techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.

contradict

v. to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with

synonym: conflict, oppose, belie

(1) **contradict** each other, (2) **contradict** the principle
The book contains numerous statements that **contradict** previous reports.

specifically

adv. only associated with or meant for one thing

synonym: especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically** American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

comedy

n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment

synonym : humor, farce, satire

(1) **comedy** series, (2) romantic **comedy**

I love going to see live **comedy** shows with my friends.

locate

v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

synonym : discover, find, place

(1) **locate** a missing pet, (2) **locate** a tumor

The robot can accurately **locate** construction material.

gulf

n. a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land

synonym : chasm, divide, abyss

(1) **gulf** war, (2) **gulf** stream

The **Gulf** of Mexico is a body of water in the southern United States.

observation

n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone

synonym : watching, notice, reflection

(1) class **observation** day, (2) **observation** instrument

In the hospital, she will remain under constant **observation**.

interactive

adj. acting reciprocally; mutually responsive

synonym : reciprocal, responsive, mutual

(1) **interactive** experience, (2) an **interactive** device

The new video game has an **interactive** storyline that allows

players to make choices that affect the game's outcome.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym: determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

vary

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

synonym: alter, contrast, differ

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

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym: take part, partake, enter

(1) **participate** fully in conversation, (2) **participate** in the program

The majority of students actively **participated** in the college's intramural sports program.

process

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

synonym: procedure, method, system

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

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

crosshatched

adj. marked or drawn with intersecting parallel lines, creating a pattern of squares or rectangles

synonym: lined, streaked, interlaced

(1) **crosshatched** lines, (2) **crosshatched** pattern

The artist used **crosshatched** strokes to create shading in

the portrait.

photograph

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
synonym: photo, picture, snapshot

(1) **photograph** album, (2) **photograph** memories

I found an old **photograph** of my grandparents from their wedding day.

smartphone

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict
Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

animate

v. to make something full of interest and energy
synonym: invigorate, energize, enliven

(1) **animate** the body, (2) **animate** his soul

The positive attitude of the supervisor **animated** the discussion.

perspective

n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
synonym: viewpoint, standpoint, outlook

(1) a **perspective** view, (2) the **perspective** of the battle
His father's death changed his whole **perspective** on life.

mockumentary

n. (a portmanteau of the words "mock" and "documentary") a type of film or television program that uses a documentary-style format to parody or satirize a particular subject or genre
synonym: mock documentary, fake documentary, parody documentary

(1) **mockumentary** film, (2) **mockumentary** style

The film was a hilarious **mockumentary** that parodied reality TV shows.

consist

v. to be composed or made up of

synonym: lie in, comprise, exist

(1) **consist** mainly of cells, (2) **consist** only in knowing facts

This examination **consists** of five problems to solve.

script

n. a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech;
something written by hand

synonym: writing, penmanship, article

(1) a hand **script**, (2) the **script** of a play

The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian **script** on a stone monument.

discuss

v. to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

synonym: talk about, converse, debate

(1) **discuss** options, (2) **discuss** solutions

We need to **discuss** the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.

ponder

v. to think deeply or carefully about something

synonym: think about, consider, reflect on

(1) **ponder** divine matters, (2) **ponder** life's meaning

She sat quietly, **pondering** the difficult decision.

obsession

n. the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person

synonym: compulsion, fixation, enthusiasm

(1) **obsession** with character, (2) national **obsession**

Gambling became an **obsession** for him, and he eventually lost everything.

dumb

adj. lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence

synonym: mute, speechless, idiotic

(1) **dumb** creatures, (2) struck **dumb**

He made a **dumb** mistake and forgot to submit the report on time.

episode

n. a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness

synonym: event, chapter, seizure

(1) end of the first **episode**, (2) **episode** of vertigo

I want to put that **episode** of my life behind me.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

diabetes

n. a medical condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the glucose levels in the blood

(1) juvenile **diabetes**, (2) **diabetes** patient

My father was tested for **diabetes**.

introductory

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

synonym: beginning, preliminary, initial

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

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

stomach

n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach

synonym: belly, abdomen, gut

(1) upset **stomach**, (2) **stomach** virus

I have a **stomach** ache after overeating junk food.

obesity

n. the condition of being significantly overweight, typically defined as having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or greater.

synonym : overweight, corpulence, fattiness

(1) **obesity-related** diseases, (2) suffer from **obesity**

The prevalence of **obesity** has increased significantly in recent years.

amuse

v. to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh

synonym : entertain, delight, divert

(1) **amuse** a baby with a rattle, (2) **amuse** guests

He **amused** himself by playing video games during his free time.

statistics

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

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

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

breed

v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner

synonym : raise, multiply, reproduce

(1) **breed** horses, (2) **breed** suspicion

This animal **breeds** in northern latitudes.

well-bred

adj. describing someone or something that has been raised or trained to behave correctly in society, often indicating good manners and education

synonym : refined, cultured, polished

(1) **well-bred** gentleman, (2) **well-bred** puppy

She was considered very **well-bred**, having impeccable manners and a refined upbringing.

veil

n. a piece of fine cloth worn by women to cover or conceal the face; (verb) to cover, conceal, or obscure

synonym : cover, mask, (verb) conceal

(1) **veil** of mystery, (2) **veil** her face
He lifted her **veil** with both hands.

parameter

n. a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data

synonym : factor, variable, characteristic

(1) **parameter** estimation, (2) **parameter** tuning

The temperature range was one of the critical **parameters** we had to consider when designing the experiment.

repress

v. to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories

synonym : suppress, control, curb

(1) cannot **repress** laughter, (2) **repress** gene expression

He **repressed** the memories of his traumatic childhood.

animation

n. the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave

synonym : motion, movement, liveliness

(1) **animation** studio, (2) **animation** film

The **animation** of the characters in the movie was so realistic, and it was as if they were there.

censorship

n. the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security

synonym : restriction, suppression

(1) clear **censorship** by the Education Ministry, (2) form of **censorship**

Newspapers were subjected to **censorship** a few days later.

intolerant

adj. the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects

synonym : failure, impotence, shortcoming

(1) an **intolerant** person, (2) **intolerant** of criticism
His **intolerant** attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.

implement

v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
synonym: execute, enforce, put through

(1) **implement** a corporate strategy, (2) **implement** security measures

The government promised to **implement** a new system to control the financial crisis.

solo

adv. without anybody else or anything else; alone
synonym: alone

(1) a **solo** vocal recital, (2) a **solo** flight
I would love to **solo** camping someday.

experiment

n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
synonym: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**
His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

detachment

n. a state of being disconnected or disinterested; impartiality or emotional distance; a military unit or formation that separates from a larger force and operates independently

synonym: separation, aloofness, indifference

(1) **detachment** from reality, (2) emotional **detachment**
The **detachment** of the soldiers was evident as they carried out their mission with precision and focus.

axiom

n. a statement or principle that is regarded as being self-evidently true and does not require proof or justification; a fundamental truth upon which other truths or theories are based

synonym: principle, maxim, postulate

(1) self-evident **axiom**, (2) fundamental **axiom**

It is an **axiom** in mathematics that two parallel lines never intersect.

abundance

n. a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something

synonym: plenty, affluence, plentitude

(1) an age of **abundance**, (2) an **abundance** of examples

A healthy farm provides an **abundance** of food.

platform

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

synonym: stage, podium, forum

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

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

representation

n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

synonym: delegacy, manifestation, expression

(1) sales **representation**, (2) binary **representation**

A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal **representation**.

represent

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

synonym: depict, express, describe

(1) **represent** by a diagram, (2) the characters that **represent** numbers

We elected him to **represent** us at the international conference.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

synonym: by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest

He was **naturally** gifted.

differ

v. to be not like someone or something in some way
synonym : vary, diverge, disagree

(1) **differ** from the majority, (2) **differ** according to species
The two products **differed** in their quality and price.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little
synonym : barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils
He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

mere

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
synonym : bare, minor, sheer

(1) **mere** acquaintance, (2) **mere** incident
He lost the election by **mere** votes.

occupy

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
synonym : inhabit, settle, populate

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position
The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

specific

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
synonym : particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations
The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

multiplicity

n. a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
synonym : abundance, variety, diversity

(1) functional **multiplicity**, (2) **multiplicity** of languages
The **multiplicity** of colors in the sunset was truly breathtaking.

repetition

n. the act of doing or saying something many times

synonym : duplication, iteration, recurrence

(1) **repetition** of the word, (2) habitual **repetition**

Repetition is the mother of all learning.

rewrite

v. to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information

synonym : revise, edit, rework

(1) **rewrite** a composition, (2) **rewrite** a world record

I need to **rewrite** most of the essay with feedback from my teacher.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym : confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

static

adj. not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing

synonym : immobile, unchanging, fixed

(1) **static** electricity, (2) **static** website

The **static** image on the screen took a lot of work to make out.

retell

v. to tell someone about something again or differently

synonym : reiterate, repeat, restate

(1) **retell** a story, (2) **retell** an old tale

He **retells** the truth to plead not guilty.

context

n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

synonym : background, setting, environment

(1) historical **context**, (2) legal **context**

It's important to understand the **context** of a situation before making a decision.

hindsight

n. understanding or knowledge that comes after an event has occurred; the ability to perceive or understand events with greater clarity or accuracy in retrospect

synonym : retrospect, afterthought

(1) **hindsight** bias, (2) 20/20 **hindsight**

With **hindsight**, we can see that investing in that company was a mistake.

assign

v. to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone

synonym : entrust, delegate, designate

(1) **assign** projects, (2) **assign** top priority

Please **assign** a different color to each other kind of item.

documentation

n. written or printed material that provides information or evidence about something; the act or process of creating such material

synonym : records, archives, paperwork

(1) software **documentation**, (2) **documentation** requirements

Make sure you have all the necessary **documentation** before traveling abroad.

villain

n. a character in a story, movie, or play which often opposes the hero, typically characterized as immoral, evil, or cruel

synonym : scoundrel, rogue, antagonist

(1) evil **villain**, (2) authoritarian **villain**

The **villain** in the movie was a complex character with a tragic backstory.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something

synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

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**.

infinite

adj. unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

synonym: boundless, countless, limitless

(1) **infinite** appetite, (2) **infinite** in supply

The battle had an **infinite** impact on the nation.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. pa_____er tuning | <i>n.</i> a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data |
| 2. racial or____n | <i>n.</i> the first existence or beginning of something |
| 3. software doc_____ion | <i>n.</i> written or printed material that provides information or evidence about something; the act or process of creating such material |
| 4. degree of ac_____cy | <i>n.</i> the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake |
| 5. doc_____ion requirements | <i>n.</i> written or printed material that provides information or evidence about something; the act or process of creating such material |
| 6. the ac_____cy of his compass | <i>n.</i> the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake |
| 7. co_____e the listener | <i>v.</i> to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand |
| 8. courtroom sto_____ing | <i>n.</i> the act or art of narrating or writing stories |
| 9. na_____ly arising | <i>adv.</i> as might be expected; by natural manners |
| 10. pho_____ph memories | <i>n.</i> a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film |

ANSWERS: 1. parameter, 2. origin, 3. documentation, 4. accuracy, 5. documentation, 6. accuracy, 7. confuse, 8. storytelling, 9. naturally, 10. photograph

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| 19. st_____h virus | <i>n.</i> the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach |
| 20. br__d horses | <i>v.</i> to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner |

ANSWERS: 11. process, 12. specific, 13. definition, 14. experiment, 15. observation, 16. naturally, 17. identify, 18. occupy, 19. stomach, 20. breed

21. cro_____hed lines *adj.* marked or drawn with intersecting parallel lines, creating a pattern of squares or rectangles
22. in_____te in supply *adj.* unlimited or very great; impossible to measure
23. or_____n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
24. m__e incident *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
25. for spe_____lly American customers *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
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27. di_____s solutions *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
28. v__l her face *n.* a piece of fine cloth worn by women to cover or conceal the face; (verb) to cover, conceal, or obscure
29. moc_____ary film *n.* (a portmanteau of the words "mock" and "documentary") a type of film or television program that uses a documentary-style format to parody or satirize a particular subject or genre
30. am__e guests *v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
31. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 21. crosshatched, 22. infinite, 23. origin, 24. mere, 25. specifically, 26. parameter, 27. discuss, 28. veil, 29. mockumentary, 30. amuse, 31. perspective

32. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
33. im_____nt a corporate strategy *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
34. im_____nt security measures *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
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36. co_____t only in knowing facts *v.* to be composed or made up of
37. sales rep_____ion *n.* the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting
38. struck d__b *adj.* lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence
39. v__y directly with the price *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
40. po____r life's meaning *v.* to think deeply or carefully about something
41. an int_____nt person *adj.* the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
42. self-evident ax__m *n.* a statement or principle that is regarded as being self-evidently true and does not require proof or justification; a fundamental truth upon which other truths or theories are based

ANSWERS: 32. perspective, 33. implement, 34. implement, 35. mockumentary, 36. consist, 37. representation, 38. dumb, 39. vary, 40. ponder, 41. intolerant, 42. axiom

43. emotional det_____nt *n.* a state of being disconnected or disinterested; impartiality or emotional distance; a military unit or formation that separates from a larger force and operates independently
44. sma_____ne app developer *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
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46. as___n top priority *v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
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49. po___r divine matters *v.* to think deeply or carefully about something
50. national ob_____on *n.* the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person
51. fundamental ax__m *n.* a statement or principle that is regarded as being self-evidently true and does not require proof or justification; a fundamental truth upon which other truths or theories are based
52. the def_____on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

ANSWERS: 43. detachment, 44. smartphone, 45. gulf, 46. assign, 47. veil, 48. multiplicity, 49. ponder, 50. obsession, 51. axiom, 52. definition

53. co___y series *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
54. an_____on film *n.* the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave
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56. an age of ab_____ce *n.* a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something
57. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
58. ep_____e of vertigo *n.* a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness
59. we_____ed puppy *adj.* describing someone or something that has been raised or trained to behave correctly in society, often indicating good manners and education
60. lo___e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 53. comedy, 54. animation, 55. infinite, 56. abundance, 57. confuse, 58. episode, 59. well-bred, 60. locate

61. re___l a story *v.* to tell someone about something again or differently
62. st___c website *adj.* not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing
63. sto_____ing performance *n.* the act or art of narrating or writing stories
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67. sma_____ne addict *n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
68. the sc___t of a play *n.* a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
69. di___r according to species *v.* to be not like someone or something in some way
70. a s__o flight *adv.* without anybody else or anything else; alone
71. rep_____on of the word *n.* the act of doing or saying something many times
72. oc___y a position *v.* to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
73. v__y according to the age *v.* to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.

ANSWERS: 61. retell, 62. static, 63. storytelling, 64. crosshatched, 65. represent, 66. statistics, 67. smartphone, 68. script, 69. differ, 70. solo, 71. repetition, 72. occupy, 73. vary

74. pho_____ph album *n.* a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film
75. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something
76. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
77. end of the first ep_____e *n.* a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness
78. legal co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
79. the country's is_____on *n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
80. we_____ed gentleman *adj.* describing someone or something that has been raised or trained to behave correctly in society, often indicating good manners and education
81. co_____t mainly of cells *v.* to be composed or made up of
82. evil vi_____n *n.* a character in a story, movie, or play which often opposes the hero, typically characterized as immoral, evil, or cruel
83. id_____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

ANSWERS: 74. photograph, 75. participate, 76. locate, 77. episode, 78. context, 79. isolation, 80. well-bred, 81. consist, 82. villain, 83. identify

84. con_____ct the principle
v. to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with
85. sl_____ly alkaline soils
adv. in a small degree or extent; a little
86. di_____r from the majority
v. to be not like someone or something in some way
87. an_____on studio
n. the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave
88. habitual rep_____on
n. the act of doing or saying something many times
89. st_____c electricity
adj. not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing
90. re_____e a world record
v. to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information
91. juvenile di_____es
n. a medical condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the glucose levels in the blood
92. br__d suspicion
v. to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
93. sta_____cs for cancer
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
94. binary rep_____ion
n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

ANSWERS: 84. contradict, 85. slightly, 86. differ, 87. animation, 88. repetition, 89. static, 90. rewrite, 91. diabetes, 92. breed, 93. statistics, 94. representation

95. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
96. historical co_____t *n.* the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning
97. con_____ct each other *v.* to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with
98. m__e acquaintance *adj.* used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is
99. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
100. clear cen_____ip by the Education Ministry *n.* the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security
101. re_____e a composition *v.* to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information
102. re_____s gene expression *v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
103. an_____e his soul *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
104. det_____nt from reality *n.* a state of being disconnected or disinterested; impartiality or emotional distance; a military unit or formation that separates from a larger force and operates independently

ANSWERS: 95. participate, 96. context, 97. contradict, 98. mere, 99. experiment, 100. censorship, 101. rewrite, 102. repress, 103. animate, 104. detachment

105. int_____ory biology text *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
106. cannot re_____s laughter *v.* to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
107. int_____ve experience *adj.* acting reciprocally; mutually responsive
108. suffer from ob_____y *n.* the condition of being significantly overweight, typically defined as having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or greater.
109. di_____es patient *n.* a medical condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the glucose levels in the blood
110. designed spe_____lly for men *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
111. product int_____ory sale *adj.* intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point
112. the characters that re_____nt numbers *v.* to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute
113. int_____nt of criticism *adj.* the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
114. is_____on booth *n.* the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
115. di_____s options *v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic

ANSWERS: 105. introductory, 106. repress, 107. interactive, 108. obesity, 109. diabetes, 110. specifically, 111. introductory, 112. represent, 113. intolerant, 114. isolation, 115. discuss

116. a s__o vocal recital	<i>adv.</i> without anybody else or anything else; alone
117. re___l an old tale	<i>v.</i> to tell someone about something again or differently
118. as___n projects	<i>v.</i> to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
119. mul_____ity of languages	<i>n.</i> a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
120. a hand sc___t	<i>n.</i> a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
121. an int_____ve device	<i>adj.</i> acting reciprocally; mutually responsive
122. hi_____ht bias	<i>n.</i> understanding or knowledge that comes after an event has occurred; the ability to perceive or understand events with greater clarity or accuracy in retrospect
123. an arrival pl_____rm	<i>n.</i> the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
124. an ab_____ce of examples	<i>n.</i> a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something
125. g__f war	<i>n.</i> a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
126. industry-sp_____ic regulations	<i>adj.</i> clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

ANSWERS: 116. solo, 117. retell, 118. assign, 119. multiplicity, 120. script, 121. interactive, 122. hindsight, 123. platform, 124. abundance, 125. gulf, 126. specific

127. 20/20 hi_____ht *n.* understanding or knowledge that comes after an event has occurred; the ability to perceive or understand events with greater clarity or accuracy in retrospect
128. obs_____on instrument *n.* the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
129. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
130. an_____e the body *v.* to make something full of interest and energy
131. romantic co____y *n.* a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
132. form of cen_____ip *n.* the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security
133. pr_____s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 127. hindsight, 128. observation, 129. platform, 130. animate, 131. comedy, 132. censorship, 133. process

134. am__e a baby with a rattle *v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
135. upset st____h *n.* the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
136. d__b creatures *adj.* lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence
137. increase sl____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
138. ob____y-related diseases *n.* the condition of being significantly overweight, typically defined as having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or greater.
139. authoritarian vi____n *n.* a character in a story, movie, or play which often opposes the hero, typically characterized as immoral, evil, or cruel
140. ob____on with character *n.* the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person

ANSWERS: 134. amuse, 135. stomach, 136. dumb, 137. slightly, 138. obesity, 139. villain, 140. obsession

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. In the hospital, she will remain under constant _____.
n. the act or activity of carefully examining or monitoring something or someone
2. Please _____ a different color to each other kind of item.
v. to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
3. I love going to see live _____ shows with my friends.
n. a genre of dramatic entertainment that aims to amuse and provoke laughter by depicting amusing or ludicrous situations, characters, or events; the use of humor, wit, and satire in writing, films, and other forms of entertainment
4. His _____ showed highly positive results.
n. the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
5. The _____ image on the screen took a lot of work to make out.
adj. not moving or not capable of moving, not changing or not capable of changing
6. Maximum heart rates _____ a lot for each individual.
v. to become different in terms of size, shape, etc.
7. That incident led to his _____.
n. the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
8. A person who has been declared incompetent should have legal _____.
n. the act of speaking, acting, or being present on behalf of someone officially; a statement of facts and reasons made in appealing or protesting

ANSWERS: 1. observation, 2. assign, 3. comedy, 4. experiments, 5. static, 6. vary, 7. isolation, 8. representation

9. This ad campaign is aimed _____ at young women.
adv. only associated with or meant for one thing
10. Newspapers were subjected to _____ a few days later.
n. the act or process of suppression or restriction of any portions of books, films, news, etc. that are judged obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security
11. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
12. The temperature range was one of the critical _____ we had to consider when designing the experiment.
n. a numerical or other measurable factors that characterize a system or set of data
13. With _____ we can see that investing in that company was a mistake.
n. understanding or knowledge that comes after an event has occurred; the ability to perceive or understand events with greater clarity or accuracy in retrospect
14. He lifted her _____ with both hands.
n. a piece of fine cloth worn by women to cover or conceal the face; (verb) to cover, conceal, or obscure
15. To assure _____ I recommend investing in high-quality test kits.
n. the state or degree of being exact or correct; the ability to perform something with proficiency and without mistake
16. The _____ class was designed to give students a basic understanding of the subject.
adj. intended as an introduction or preliminary; serving as a base or starting point

ANSWERS: 9. specifically, 10. censorship, 11. locate, 12. parameters, 13. hindsight, 14. veil, 15. accuracy, 16. introductory

17. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
- n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
18. This animal _____ in northern latitudes.
- v.* to keep animals for producing offspring in a regulated manner
19. It is an _____ in mathematics that two parallel lines never intersect.
- n.* a statement or principle that is regarded as being self-evidently true and does not require proof or justification; a fundamental truth upon which other truths or theories are based
20. Make sure you have all the necessary _____ before traveling abroad.
- n.* written or printed material that provides information or evidence about something; the act or process of creating such material
21. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
- v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
22. I want to put that _____ of my life behind me.
- n.* a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness
23. He _____ himself by playing video games during his free time.
- v.* to entertain or divert the mind; to make someone laugh
24. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
- n.* the first existence or beginning of something

ANSWERS: 17. platform, 18. breeds, 19. axiom, 20. documentation, 21. identify, 22. episode, 23. amused, 24. origin

25. The artist used _____ strokes to create shading in the portrait.
adj. marked or drawn with intersecting parallel lines, creating a pattern of squares or rectangles
26. She was skilled in _____ techniques, such as using different voices for other characters.
n. the act or art of narrating or writing stories
27. _____ is the mother of all learning.
n. the act of doing or saying something many times
28. He _____ the memories of his traumatic childhood.
v. to restrain or control by force; to suppress feelings or memories
29. Gambling became an _____ for him, and he eventually lost everything.
n. the state in which a person's mind is filled with thoughts of one single object or particular person
30. He _____ the truth to plead not guilty.
v. to tell someone about something again or differently
31. The _____ of colors in the sunset was truly breathtaking.
n. a large number or variety of something; the quality or state of being multiple or manifold
32. The film was a hilarious _____ that parodied reality TV shows.
n. (a portmanteau of the words "mock" and "documentary") a type of film or television program that uses a documentary-style format to parody or satirize a particular subject or genre

ANSWERS: 25. crosshatched, 26. storytelling, 27. Repetition, 28. repressed, 29. obsession, 30. retells, 31. multiplicity, 32. mockumentary

33. The battle had an _____ impact on the nation.

adj. unlimited or very great; impossible to measure

34. The _____ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

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

35. The _____ in the movie was a complex character with a tragic backstory.

n. a character in a story, movie, or play which often opposes the hero, typically characterized as immoral, evil, or cruel

36. The scientist conducted a study that provided _____ details about the species' behavior.

adj. clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

37. I need to _____ most of the essay with feedback from my teacher.

v. to write something such as a book or speech again in a different way, usually to improve it or add new information

38. The _____ of the soldiers was evident as they carried out their mission with precision and focus.

n. a state of being disconnected or disinterested; impartiality or emotional distance; a military unit or formation that separates from a larger force and operates independently

39. He made a _____ mistake and forgot to submit the report on time.

adj. lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence

ANSWERS: 33. infinite, 34. process, 35. villain, 36. specific, 37. rewrite, 38. detachment, 39. dumb

40. We need to _____ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.
- v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
41. The _____ of Mexico is a body of water in the southern United States.
- n.* a large ocean inlet or deep bay that is partially enclosed by land
42. The government promised to _____ a new system to control the financial crisis.
- v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
43. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of _____.
- n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
44. Her remarks _____ the debate.
- v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
45. He moved his body _____ to the left.
- adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
46. The prevalence of _____ has increased significantly in recent years.
- n.* the condition of being significantly overweight, typically defined as having a body mass index (BMI) of 30 or greater.
47. The book contains numerous statements that _____ previous reports.
- v.* to deny the truth of a statement by stating the opposite; to be in conflict with
48. The positive attitude of the supervisor _____ the discussion.
- v.* to make something full of interest and energy

ANSWERS: 40. discuss, 41. Gulf, 42. implement, 43. smartphones, 44. confused, 45. slightly, 46. obesity, 47. contradict, 48. animated

49. The archaeologist found a hieratic Egyptian _____ on a stone monument.
n. a written text of a film, play, broadcast, or speech; something written by hand
50. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
n. a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
51. The _____ of the characters in the movie was so realistic, and it was as if they were there.
n. the technique of photographing successive drawings or positions of puppets or models to create an illusion of movement when the film is shown as a sequence; enthusiasm and energy in the way you look or behave
52. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
53. This examination _____ of five problems to solve.
v. to be composed or made up of
54. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.
n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
55. I have a _____ ache after overeating junk food.
n. the internal organ in the body where food is digested, situated in the abdomen; the part of the body below the chest that contains the stomach
56. It's important to understand the _____ of a situation before making a decision.
n. the circumstances, facts, or conditions that surround a particular event, situation, or statement and that give it meaning

ANSWERS: 49. script, 50. perspective, 51. animation, 52. statistics, 53. consists, 54. definition, 55. stomach, 56. context

57. A healthy farm provides an _____ of food.

n. a significant amount of something; the situation in which there is too much of something

58. His _____ attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.

adj. the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects

59. He lost the election by _____ votes.

adj. used to emphasize how insignificant or minor someone or something is

60. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.

v. to take part in something

61. He was _____ gifted.

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners

62. I would love to _____ camping someday.

adv. without anybody else or anything else; alone

63. I found an old _____ of my grandparents from their wedding day.

n. a picture or image that is produced by a camera; a visual representation or record of a person, object, or scene that has been captured electronically or on film

64. We elected him to _____ us at the international conference.

v. to speak, act, or be present on behalf of another person or group; to form or constitute

ANSWERS: 57. abundance, 58. intolerant, 59. mere, 60. participated, 61. naturally, 62. solo, 63. photograph, 64. represent

65. She was considered very _____ having impeccable manners and a refined upbringing.

adj. describing someone or something that has been raised or trained to behave correctly in society, often indicating good manners and education

66. The two products _____ in their quality and price.

v. to be not like someone or something in some way

67. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.

v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time

68. She sat quietly, _____ the difficult decision.

v. to think deeply or carefully about something

69. The new video game has an _____ storyline that allows players to make choices that affect the game's outcome.

adj. acting reciprocally; mutually responsive

70. My father was tested for _____.

n. a medical condition in which the body cannot produce enough insulin to control the glucose levels in the blood

ANSWERS: 65. well-bred, 66. differed, 67. occupy, 68. pondering, 69. interactive, 70. diabetes