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Session 1: Word List

phase

n. any stage in a series of events, change, or development

synonym: degree, stage, step

(1) enter on the last **phase**, (2) two- **phase** structure

The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial **phase** of history.

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.

thumb

n. the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists

synonym: digit, finger, phalange

(1) **thumb** wrestling, (2) **thumb** a ride

He used his right **thumb** to press the button on his phone.

fellowship

n. an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession

synonym: association, society, group

(1) research **fellowship**, (2) postdoctoral **fellowship**

The **fellowship** of scientists worked together to conduct research and make important discoveries.

linguist

n. a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics

synonym: grammarist, philologue, polyglot

(1) foreign **linguist**, (2) cognitive **linguist**

Though I love literature, I'm a bad **linguist**.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

synonym: manifold, various, myriad

(1) **diverse** backgrounds, (2) a person of **diverse** talents

New York is a city with a **diverse** ethnic population.

unbeknownst

adv. without the knowledge or awareness of someone; without someone's knowledge or participation

synonym: secretly, covertly

(1) **unbeknownst** to me, (2) **unbeknownst** to any of us

Unbeknownst to the family, the treasure had been hidden in the attic for years.

fin

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

(1) back **fin**, (2) a **fin** of a plane

The shark's powerful **fins** allowed it to swim at high speeds.

multilingual

adj. skilled in or using multiple languages; involving or relating to multiple languages or language groups

synonym: polyglot

(1) **multilingual** education, (2) **multilingual** staff

My friend is **multilingual**, speaking five different languages fluently.

anomaly

n. something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand

synonym : abnormality, irregularity, deviation

(1) **anomaly** detection, (2) global temperature **anomaly**

The sudden drop in the stock market was an **anomaly** that puzzled many investors.

norm

n. something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

synonym : criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

standout

n. a person or thing that is exceptionally good, impressive, or noticeable amidst others; something that stands out from the rest; (adjective) particularly prominent, noticeable, or superior in comparison to others in a group or context

synonym : highlight, superiority

(1) **standout** feature, (2) **standout** player

Her bright green dress made her **standout** among the crowd of black suits and dresses.

monolingual

adj. being able to speak or use only one language

synonym : unilingual

(1) **monolingual** policies, (2) **monolingual** country

The lack of exposure to foreign languages made her a **monolingual** speaker.

contrast

v. to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences

synonym : differ, vary, counterpoint

(1) **contrast** with a decade ago, (2) **contrast** two things

It's intriguing to compare and **contrast** the two authors.

incredibly

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

(1) **incredibly** cheerful character, (2) get **incredibly** insecure

Several cities are experiencing **incredibly** high unemployment rates.

policy

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

synonym: strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

tap

v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

synonym: knock, exploit, use

(1) **tap** a new market, (2) **tap** keyboard with an index finger
To expand the company, we must **tap** new human resources.

asset

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

synonym: aid, resource, equity

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

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

linguistic

adj. relating to language or the study of language

synonym: lingual, verbal, lexical

(1) her major is **linguistics**, (2) **linguistic** analysis

Our naive experience undoubtedly contains a **linguistic** aspect.

diversity

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different

things or people

synonym : variety, multiplicity, variousness

(1) the **diversity** policy of the university, (2) lingual **diversity**

He was impressed by the range and **diversity** of the collection.

spoil

v. to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad

synonym : rot, decay, deteriorate

(1) **spoil** a person's sport, (2) **spoil** the surprise

If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will **spoil**.

alert

v. to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action

synonym : warn, inform, (adjective) vigilant

(1) **alert** consumers to the dangers, (2) **alert** system

The company's cybersecurity team **alerted** the CEO to potential threats.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

(1) **immediately** recall a product, (2) write him an answer **immediately**

A suspension order from the court is effective **immediately**.

evident

adj. apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

synonym : apparent, noticeable, obvious

(1) **evident** to all, (2) plainly **evident**

With **evident** joy, he signed his name.

decorate

v. to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc

synonym : adorn, embellish, beautify

(1) **decorate** a wall, (2) **decorate** for Christmas

They **decorated** the room with balloons and streamers for the birthday party.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

synonym : chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**

Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

explicit

adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

synonym : clear, unambiguous, unequivocal

(1) **explicit** content, (2) **explicit** instructions

The movie had an **explicit** sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.

mathematics

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

synonym : arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym : interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**

He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

transition

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

synonym : change, growth, shift

(1) **transition** phase, (2) ensure a smooth **transition**

The nation's healthcare system is in **transition** at the

moment.

assignment

n. a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies

synonym: task, duty, designation

(1) finish the **assignment**, (2) **assignment** of interest

My **assignment** was overwhelming and complicated, but it was also exciting.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

disclose

v. to make something, such as secret or new information, known publicly

synonym: declare, reveal, uncover

(1) **disclose** a secret, (2) **disclose** a vulnerability

The curtain rose to **disclose** a fantastic set.

bet

v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

synonym: stake, wager, gamble

(1) **bet** on a race, (2) **bet** my future

I **bet** that you know it.

unnerving

adj. making someone lose courage or confidence, or feel nervous or frightened

synonym: frightening, horrifying, uneasy

(1) **unnerving** effect, (2) with **unnerving** speed

Having dental treatment was an **unnerving** experience for me.

chaotic

adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing

synonym : disorderly, cluttered, topsy-turvy

(1) the **chaotic** economic situation, (2) **chaotic** theory

Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of **chaotic** reform.

stem

n. the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

synonym : branch, limb, (verb) come from

(1) **stem** from a belief, (2) the **stem** of a matchstick

A rose has thorns on its **stem**.

embrace

v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically;
(noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

synonym : grasp, hold tightly, accept

(1) **embrace** an opportunity, (2) a warm **embrace**

The woods **embrace** the house.

uncommon

adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare

synonym : rare, scarce, unusual

(1) **uncommon** occurrence, (2) **uncommon** talents

It was **uncommon** for the store to have such a big sale.

rank

n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others

synonym : position, status, standing

(1) **rank** amateur, (2) high **rank**

He was promoted to the **rank** of captain in the military.

similarly

adv. in almost the same way

synonym : also, likewise, ditto

(1) **similarly** situated, (2) have **similarly** great abilities

We argue that wages for temporary workers should **similarly** rise.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
synonym : fourth, one-fourth

(1) a **quarter** mile, (2) end of the first **quarter**

The unemployment rate in the first **quarter** was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

possess

v. to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.

synonym : keep, maintain, own

(1) **possess** a basic knowledge, (2) **possess** divine powers

He **possesses** a good sense of humor.

encouraging

adj. giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

synonym : uplifting, inspiring, optimistic

(1) **encouraging** approval, (2) **encouraging** sign

The test results were **encouraging** and showed improvement.

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.

proficiency

n. expertise or ability in a particular area or skill; skillfulness or adeptness in performing tasks or duties

synonym : expertise, skill, mastery

(1) **proficiency** level, (2) demonstrate **proficiency**

Her **proficiency** in Spanish allowed her to communicate easily with the locals during her vacation in Mexico.

heritage

n. the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

synonym : legacy, tradition, inheritance

(1) **heritage** site, (2) historical **heritage**

The **heritage** of the city is reflected in its architecture.

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym : knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

(1) **educated** adult, (2) **educated** speech

Excellent speech is a characteristic of an **educated** man.

absolutely

adv. without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

synonym : completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

lingua

n. (a Latin word that means "tongue") a language used for communication; the organ in the mouth used for tasting, speaking, and swallowing

synonym : tongue, language, dialect

(1) a **lingua** franca, (2) **lingua** fissurata

The school offered classes in several different **linguae**, including French, Spanish, and Mandarin.

sociocultural

adj. relating to or influenced by the social and cultural factors of a society or group, particularly in relation to its customs, beliefs, values, and practices

synonym : cultural, social, anthropological

(1) **sociocultural** factors, (2) **sociocultural** identity

The university's **sociocultural** programs aim to promote diversity and understanding among students.

economy

n. the system by which a country or region produces, manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

synonym : finance, trade, business

(1) **economy** of scale, (2) **economy** class

The **economy** of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

communicate

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

synonym: convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

stud

n. a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

synonym: beam, scantling, framing

(1) horse **stud**, (2) wall **stud**

He bought a new **stud** to attach the strap to his watch.

background

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

synonym: ground, experience, backdrop

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

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

equip

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

synonym: prepare, furnish, provide

(1) **equip** an army, (2) **equip** our children with some special skills

The construction company **equipped** the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

celebrated

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

synonym: acclaimed, notable, prominent

(1) **celebrated** artist, (2) **celebrated** paper

Three **celebrated** tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

lever

n. a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily

synonym: lifter, crowbar, bar

(1) a gear change **lever**, (2) **lever** for reform

This initiative will be a **lever** for increasing company sales.

operate

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

synonym: work, use, employ

(1) **operate** 24 hours a day, (2) manually **operate** a machine

This machine is too difficult to **operate** for me.

dual

adj. having two parts, aspects, or elements

synonym: twofold, binary, double

(1) **dual** purpose, (2) **dual** nationality

This laptop has a **dual-core** processor, making it fast and efficient.

gist

n. the essence or main point of a text, speech, or situation

synonym: essence, core, summary

(1) the **gist** of a claim, (2) get the **gist**

The **gist** of the article was that technology is rapidly changing our world.

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.

instruction

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

synonym: education, direction, guidance

(1) individual **instruction**, (2) follow his **instructions**

They needed further **instruction** to perform their duties efficiently.

bilingual

n. a person who speaks two languages fluently; (adjective) involving or relating to two languages or language groups

synonym: biliterate, bicultural

(1) **bilingual** community, (2) **bilingual** education

The company is looking for a **bilingual** customer service representative.

historic

adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so

synonym: memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

subtractive

adj. characterized by taking away or removing something; involving the process of subtracting or reducing something from a larger whole or total

synonym: reductive, deductive, negative

(1) **subtractive** process, (2) **subtractive** manufacturing

The **subtractive** method of sculpture involves removing material to create a shape.

additive

n. a substance added to something in small amounts, especially food, to improve or preserve it

synonym: preservative, supplement

(1) food **additive**, (2) deleterious chemical **additives**

The gasoline **additive** had leaked from the container.

- cult** *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
synonym : sect, faith, religion
(1) **cult** members, (2) **cult's** practices
The **cult** leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
- sustain** *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
synonym : maintain, nurture, support
(1) **sustain** a good relationship with him, (2) **sustain** a wellness lifestyle
She struggled to **sustain** the children's reading habits.
- native** *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
synonym : endemic, domestic, aboriginal
(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language
The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.
- racial** *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
synonym : ethnic, tribal, ethnical
(1) **racial** prejudice, (2) **racial** and ethnic backgrounds
A minor **racial** conflict later led to a civil war.
- ethnic** *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
synonym : racial, ethnical, tribal
(1) **ethnic** minority, (2) single **ethnic** group
Each **ethnic** group has its unique rituals.
- exception** *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands

apart from others

synonym: anomaly, rarity, exemption

(1) make an **exception**, (2) without **exception**

She was the **exception** to the rule, as she managed to graduate college in only two years.

proficient

adj. having a high level of skill or knowledge in a particular area

synonym: expert, skilled, adept

(1) **proficient** speaker, (2) **proficient** skill

She is **proficient** in Spanish and can communicate fluently.

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.

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.

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.

worldview

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

synonym: perspective, position, viewpoint

(1) mainstream **worldview**, (2) the **worldview** of the ancient civilization

The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing **worldviews**.

identity

n. the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

synonym: character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual

The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

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.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

(1) **incredible** amount, (2) at **incredible** speed

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

cognitive

adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding

synonym: perceivable, mind, mental

(1) improve **cognitive** function, (2) research on **cognitive** psychology

His **cognitive** faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.

function

n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

synonym: purpose, mapping, job

(1) **function** properly, (2) immune **function**

The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's **function**.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something
synonym: example, sample, illustration

(1) for **instance**, (2) notable **instance**

These articles cite five **instances** of climate change.

indicate

v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

synonym: hint, suggest, show

(1) **indicate** a preference, (2) **indicate** an error

The data **indicates** that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

brain

n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling

synonym: intellect, mind, encephalon

(1) basic **brain** function, (2) permanent **brain** damage

X-rays revealed a small tumor in his **brain**.

counterpart

n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing

synonym: equivalent, analogue, match

(1) **counterpart** agreement, (2) negotiating **counterpart**

His **counterpart** in the other company is responsible for marketing.

conflict

n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals

synonym: clash, discord, competition

(1) the **conflict** between good and evil, (2) the longstanding **conflict**

He and I often had **conflicts**, not only in personality but also

in ideology.

multitasking

n. the ability to do more than one task at the same time;
the state of doing more than one task at the same time

synonym: juggling, multihandling, parallelism

(1) computer **multitasking**, (2) **multitasking** ability

She could finish all her work on time because of her **multitasking** skills.

far-reaching

adj. having a wide or significant impact or influence

synonym: extensive, widespread, broad

(1) achieve **far-reaching** reform, (2) **far-reaching** consequences

The **far-reaching** effects of the policy change are still being felt.

amazing

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

synonym: exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

geopolitical

adj. of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area

(1) the **geopolitical** situations, (2) reduce **geopolitical** risk

The country holds dominant **geopolitical** power over its neighbors.

candid

adj. honest, straightforward, and frank in someone's words or actions

synonym: honest, frank, straightforward

(1) **candid** conversation, (2) in my **candid** opinion

The **candid** photography captured the genuine emotions of the moment.

lucrative

adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
synonym : profitable, moneymaking, remunerative

(1) **lucrative** deal, (2) **lucrative** market

Investing in real estate can be a **lucrative** business if done correctly.

opportune

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

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

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

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

bisexual

adj. attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women

synonym : bi, pansexual, omnisexual

(1) **bisexual** orientation, (2) **bisexual** lifestyle

She described herself as **bisexual**, having been in relationships with male and female partners.

trilingual

adj. being able to speak three languages fluently or proficiently

synonym : multilingual, polyglot

(1) **trilingual** speaker, (2) **trilingual** edition

The school offers a **trilingual** program that teaches students Mandarin, English, and Spanish.

disadvantage

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

synonym : detriment, drawback, (verb) disfavor

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

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

shrink

v. to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount

synonym : decrease, diminish, shy away

(1) **shrink** the tumor, (2) **shrink** with fear
This shirt will **shrink** in the wash.

commerce

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

synonym: trade, transaction, dealings

(1) interstate **commerce**, (2) the local chamber of **commerce**

This company has invested heavily in Internet **commerce**.

figment

n. something invented or imagined, particularly something that is not real, tangible, or concrete; a product of the imagination

synonym: illusion, fabrication, fantasy

(1) **figment** of imagination, (2) **figment** of memory

The idea that the government is spying on us is just a **figment** of your imagination.

imaginary

adj. existing only in someone's mind

synonym: fictional, ideal, fantastical

(1) **imaginary** number, (2) **imaginary** pregnancy

Little children tend to have **imaginary** friends.

cultivate

v. to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants

synonym: boost, foster, nurture

(1) **cultivate** a field, (2) **cultivate** relationships

University is a great place to **cultivate** our minds and expertise.

honor

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;
(verb) to show respect towards someone

synonym: integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

foster

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

synonym : nurture, nourish, cultivate

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

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

celebrate

- v. to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

synonym : praise, glorify, honor

(1) **celebrate** his election, (2) **celebrate** Christmas

He **celebrated** the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

elevate

- v. to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

synonym : lift, heighten, promote

(1) **elevate** educational standards, (2) **elevate** a close relationship

Eating food in a hurry **elevates** blood glucose levels.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. po____s divine powers | v. | to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc. |
| 2. postdoctoral fel_____ip | n. | an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession |
| 3. get the g__t | n. | the essence or main point of a text, speech, or situation |
| 4. hi_____ic accomplishment | adj. | famous or significant in history, or potentially so |
| 5. basic br__n function | n. | the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling |
| 6. permanent br__n damage | n. | the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling |
| 7. mistaken id_____ty | n. | the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another |
| 8. le__r for reform | n. | a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily |
| 9. de___e a question | v. | to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options |

ANSWERS: 1. possess, 2. fellowship, 3. gist, 4. historic, 5. brain, 6. brain, 7. identity, 8. lever, 9. decide

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| 10. eq__p an army | <i>v.</i> to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity |
| 11. he____ge site | <i>n.</i> the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations |
| 12. sh___k with fear | <i>v.</i> to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount |
| 13. un____on talents | <i>adj.</i> not occurring or seen very often; rare |
| 14. ch____c theory | <i>adj.</i> without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing |
| 15. two-ph__e structure | <i>n.</i> any stage in a series of events, change, or development |
| 16. manually op____e a machine | <i>v.</i> to work in a particular way; to supervise something |
| 17. ed____ed speech | <i>adj.</i> having received a high standard of education |
| 18. mul____ual staff | <i>adj.</i> skilled in or using multiple languages; involving or relating to multiple languages or language groups |
| 19. food ad____ve | <i>n.</i> a substance added to something in small amounts, especially food, to improve or preserve it |
| 20. the longstanding co____ct | <i>n.</i> a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals |
| 21. improve co____ve function | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to mental processes of understanding |

ANSWERS: 10. equip, 11. heritage, 12. shrink, 13. uncommon, 14. chaotic, 15. phase, 16. operate, 17. educated, 18. multilingual, 19. additive, 20. conflict, 21. cognitive

22. cou_____rt agreement *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
23. soc_____ral factors *adj.* relating to or influenced by the social and cultural factors of a society or group, particularly in relation to its customs, beliefs, values, and practices
24. ho__r our ancestors *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
25. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
26. unb_____st to me *adv.* without the knowledge or awareness of someone; without someone's knowledge or participation
27. di_____se a secret *v.* to make something, such as secret or new information, known publicly
28. make an ex_____on *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others
29. historical he_____ge *n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations
30. deleterious chemical ad_____ves *n.* a substance added to something in small amounts, especially food, to improve or preserve it
31. an_____y detection *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand

ANSWERS: 22. counterpart, 23. sociocultural, 24. honor, 25. communal, 26. unbeknownst, 27. disclose, 28. exception, 29. heritage, 30. additive, 31. anomaly

32. research fel_____ip *n.* an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession
33. eq__p our children with some special skills *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
34. t_p keyboard with an index finger *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
35. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
36. lingual di_____ty *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
37. ce_____te Christmas *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
38. negotiating cou_____rt *n.* a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
39. fi_____t of memory *n.* something invented or imagined, particularly something that is not real, tangible, or concrete; a product of the imagination
40. enc_____ng approval *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

ANSWERS: 32. fellowship, 33. equip, 34. tap, 35. expand, 36. diversity, 37. celebrate, 38. counterpart, 39. figment, 40. encouraging

41. a gear change le__r *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
42. abs_____ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
43. the geo_____cal situations *adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
44. ed_____ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
45. a warm em_____e *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
46. na___e language *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
47. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
48. th__b wrestling *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
49. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 41. lever, 42. absolutely, 43. geopolitical, 44. educated, 45. embrace, 46. native, 47. span, 48. thumb, 49. economy

50. for in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
51. with un_____ng speed *adj.* making someone lose courage or confidence, or feel nervous or frightened
52. d__l purpose *adj.* having two parts, aspects, or elements
53. without ex_____on *n.* something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others
54. foreign po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
55. at inc_____le speed *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
56. im_____ry number *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
57. individual ins_____on *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
58. plainly ev_____t *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
59. al__t system *v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
60. po_____s a basic knowledge *v.* to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.

ANSWERS: 50. instance, 51. unnerving, 52. dual, 53. exception, 54. policy, 55. incredible, 56. imaginary, 57. instruction, 58. evident, 59. alert, 60. possess

61. horse s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
62. the co_____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
63. reduce geo_____cal risk *adj.* of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
64. c__t's practices *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
65. 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
66. con_____ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
67. finish the ass_____nt *n.* a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies

ANSWERS: 61. stud, 62. conflict, 63. geopolitical, 64. cult, 65. develop, 66. conversation, 67. assignment

68. inc_____le amount *adj.* unbelievable; enormous
69. fo___r a better relationship *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
70. bi_____al community *n.* a person who speaks two languages fluently; (adjective) involving or relating to two languages or language groups
71. im_____ry pregnancy *adj.* existing only in someone's mind
72. mat_____cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
73. b_t my future *v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
74. un_____ng effect *adj.* making someone lose courage or confidence, or feel nervous or frightened
75. inc_____ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
76. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
77. the s__m of a matchstick *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

ANSWERS: 68. incredible, 69. foster, 70. bilingual, 71. imaginary, 72. mathematics, 73. bet, 74. unnerving, 75. incredibly, 76. opportune, 77. stem

78. ev_____t to all *adj.* apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment
79. di_____se a vulnerability *v.* to make something, such as secret or new information, known publicly
80. su_____n a good relationship with him *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid
81. im_____nt a corporate strategy *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
82. el_____e a close relationship *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
83. soc_____ral identity *adj.* relating to or influenced by the social and cultural factors of a society or group, particularly in relation to its customs, beliefs, values, and practices
84. un_____on occurrence *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
85. t_p a new market *v.* to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.
86. ra____l prejudice *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
87. a f_n of a plane *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
88. ex_____it instructions *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

ANSWERS: 78. evident, 79. disclose, 80. sustain, 81. implement, 82. elevate, 83. sociocultural, 84. uncommon, 85. tap, 86. racial, 87. fin, 88. explicit

89. d__l nationality *adj.* having two parts, aspects, or elements
90. si_____ly situated *adv.* in almost the same way
91. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
92. tri_____al edition *adj.* being able to speak three languages fluently or proficiently
93. in_____te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
94. sp__l a person's sport *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
95. a person of di_____e talents *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
96. st_____ut player *n.* a person or thing that is exceptionally good, impressive, or noticeable amidst others; something that stands out from the rest; (adjective) particularly prominent, noticeable, or superior in comparison to others in a group or context
97. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
98. a friendly con_____ion *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 89. dual, 90. similarly, 91. expand, 92. trilingual, 93. indicate, 94. spoil, 95. diverse, 96. standout, 97. opportune, 98. conversation

99. the dis_____age of a plan *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
100. the g__t of a claim *n.* the essence or main point of a text, speech, or situation
101. sp__l the surprise *v.* to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad
102. pro_____nt speaker *adj.* having a high level of skill or knowledge in a particular area
103. high r__k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
104. immune fu_____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
105. interstate co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
106. cultural n__m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
107. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
108. cu_____te relationships *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants

ANSWERS: 99. disadvantage, 100. gist, 101. spoil, 102. proficient, 103. rank, 104. function, 105. commerce, 106. norm, 107. individual, 108. cultivate

109. im_____nt security measures *v.* to put a decision, plan, or system into effect
110. di_____e backgrounds *adj.* including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
111. a bac_____nd color *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
112. li____a fissurata *n.* (a Latin word that means "tongue") a language used for communication; the organ in the mouth used for tasting, speaking, and swallowing
113. frozen as__ts *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
114. end of the first qu_____r *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
115. bi_____al lifestyle *adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women
116. fi_____t of imagination *n.* something invented or imagined, particularly something that is not real, tangible, or concrete; a product of the imagination
117. mon_____al country *adj.* being able to speak or use only one language
118. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

ANSWERS: 109. implement, 110. diverse, 111. background, 112. lingua, 113. asset, 114. quarter, 115. bisexual, 116. figment, 117. monolingual, 118. communicate

119. foreign li____st *n.* a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics
120. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
121. achieve far____ing reform *adj.* having a wide or significant impact or influence
122. health po____y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
123. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
124. a private ind____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
125. sh____k the tumor *v.* to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
126. the di____ty policy of the university *n.* the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people
127. tri____al speaker *adj.* being able to speak three languages fluently or proficiently
128. su____n a wellness lifestyle *v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid

ANSWERS: 119. linguist, 120. amazing, 121. far-reaching, 122. policy, 123. span, 124. individual, 125. shrink, 126. diversity, 127. trilingual, 128. sustain

129. fu_____on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
130. am_____g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
131. de_____te for Christmas *v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
132. 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
133. far_____ing consequences *adj.* having a wide or significant impact or influence
134. tra_____on phase *n.* the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
135. co_____st with a decade ago *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
136. st_____ut feature *n.* a person or thing that is exceptionally good, impressive, or noticeable amidst others; something that stands out from the rest; (adjective) particularly prominent, noticeable, or superior in comparison to others in a group or context

ANSWERS: 129. function, 130. amazing, 131. decorate, 132. develop, 133. far-reaching, 134. transition, 135. contrast, 136. standout

137. b_t on a race
v. to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something
138. unb_____st to any of us
adv. without the knowledge or awareness of someone; without someone's knowledge or participation
139. her major is lin_____ics
adj. relating to language or the study of language
140. ensure a smooth tra_____on
n. the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
141. lu_____ve deal
adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
142. ec_____y of scale
n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
143. op_____e 24 hours a day
v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something
144. par_____te fully in conversation
v. to take part in something
145. the ch_____c economic situation
adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing
146. a li____a franca
n. (a Latin word that means "tongue") a language used for communication; the organ in the mouth used for tasting, speaking, and swallowing

ANSWERS: 137. bet, 138. unbeknownst, 139. linguistic, 140. transition, 141. lucrative, 142. economy, 143. operate, 144. participate, 145. chaotic, 146. lingua

147. write him an answer imm_____ly *adv.* now or without delay
148. notable in_____ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
149. sub_____ve process *adj.* characterized by taking away or removing something; involving the process of subtracting or reducing something from a larger whole or total
150. ass_____nt of interest *n.* a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies
151. par_____te in the program *v.* to take part in something
152. et_____c minority *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
153. ca_____d conversation *adj.* honest, straightforward, and frank in someone's words or actions
154. pro_____nt skill *adj.* having a high level of skill or knowledge in a particular area
155. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
156. sub_____ve manufacturing *adj.* characterized by taking away or removing something; involving the process of subtracting or reducing something from a larger whole or total
157. s____m from a belief *n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in
158. fo____r two kids *v.* to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents

ANSWERS: 147. immediately, 148. instance, 149. subtractive, 150. assignment, 151. participate, 152. ethnic, 153. candid, 154. proficient, 155. communal, 156. subtractive, 157. stem, 158. foster

159. a good grounding in mat_____cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
160. ce_____te his election *v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
161. ra____l and ethnic backgrounds *adj.* of or related to the race (= classification of humans into groups based on physical traits or social relations)
162. in_____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
163. lu_____ve market *adj.* producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
164. em_____e an opportunity *v.* to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection
165. mainstream wo_____ew *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
166. global temperature an_____y *n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand
167. cu_____te a field *v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
168. enc_____ng sign *adj.* giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

ANSWERS: 159. mathematics, 160. celebrate, 161. racial, 162. indicate, 163. lucrative, 164. embrace, 165. worldview, 166. anomaly, 167. cultivate, 168. encouraging

169. liquid as__ts of the company *n.* something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
170. el_____e educational standards *v.* to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position
171. bi_____al education *n.* a person who speaks two languages fluently; (adjective) involving or relating to two languages or language groups
172. th__b a ride *n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
173. mul_____ing ability *n.* the ability to do more than one task at the same time; the state of doing more than one task at the same time
174. the wo_____ew of the ancient civilization *n.* a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world
175. a criminal bac_____nd *n.* the details of a person's social heritage, such as family, vocational or educational experience; past information that is essential to understanding a situation or problem
176. have si_____ly great abilities *adv.* in almost the same way
177. single et___c group *adj.* relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition
178. in_____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
179. id_____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

ANSWERS: 169. asset, 170. elevate, 171. bilingual, 172. thumb, 173. multitasking, 174. worldview, 175. background, 176. similarly, 177. ethnic, 178. interact, 179. identity

180. n__m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
181. womanly ho__r *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
182. achieve the hi____ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
183. imm_____ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
184. dis_____age small businesses *n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
185. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
186. abs_____ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
187. r__k amateur *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
188. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
189. co_____st two things *v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
190. the local chamber of co_____ce *n.* the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
191. computer mul_____ing *n.* the ability to do more than one task at the same time; the state of doing more than one task at the same time

ANSWERS: 180. norm, 181. honor, 182. historic, 183. immediately, 184. disadvantage, 185. interact, 186. absolutely, 187. rank, 188. communicate, 189. contrast, 190. commerce, 191. multitasking

192. follow his ins_____ons *n.* detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something
193. in my ca___d opinion *adj.* honest, straightforward, and frank in someone's words or actions
194. c__t members *n.* a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices
195. cel_____ed paper *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
196. mon_____al policies *adj.* being able to speak or use only one language
197. mul_____ual education *adj.* skilled in or using multiple languages; involving or relating to multiple languages or language groups
198. get inc_____ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
199. research on co_____ve psychology *adj.* of or relating to mental processes of understanding
200. a qu_____r mile *n.* one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
201. 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
202. demonstrate pro_____cy *n.* expertise or ability in a particular area or skill; skillfulness or adeptness in performing tasks or duties
203. cognitive li_____st *n.* a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics

ANSWERS: 192. instruction, 193. candid, 194. cult, 195. celebrated, 196. monolingual, 197. multilingual, 198. incredibly, 199. cognitive, 200. quarter, 201. decide, 202. proficiency, 203. linguist

204. cel_____ed artist *adj.* renowned for possessing admirable attributes
205. enter on the last ph__e *n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
206. de_____te a wall *v.* to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
207. pro_____cy level *n.* expertise or ability in a particular area or skill; skillfulness or adeptness in performing tasks or duties
208. lin_____ic analysis *adj.* relating to language or the study of language
209. al__t consumers to the dangers *v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action
210. back f_n *n.* a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
211. ex_____it content *adj.* stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt
212. na___e to Africa *adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place
213. bi_____al orientation *adj.* attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women
214. wall s__d *n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support

ANSWERS: 204. celebrated, 205. phase, 206. decorate, 207. proficiency, 208. linguistic, 209. alert, 210. fin, 211. explicit, 212. native, 213. bisexual, 214. stud

ANSWERS:

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Having dental treatment was an _____ experience for me.
adj. making someone lose courage or confidence, or feel nervous or frightened
2. A lack of education can be a significant _____ in today's job market.
n. a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
3. The country holds dominant _____ power over its neighbors.
adj. of or relating to political activity or relations between countries and groups of countries, as influenced by the physical features of a country or area
4. The Chinese people have accomplished several _____ feats.
adj. famous or significant in history, or potentially so
5. The _____ of scientists worked together to conduct research and make important discoveries.
n. an association of people who share common interests or goals, typically involving research, study, or a specific profession
6. X-rays revealed a small tumor in his _____.
n. the organ inside the head that is responsible for one's movement, thought, memory, and feeling
7. To expand the company, we must ____ new human resources.
v. to hit someone or something quickly, gently, and often repeatedly; to use existing resources, such as energy, knowledge, etc.

ANSWERS: 1. unnerving, 2. disadvantage, 3. geopolitical, 4. historic, 5. fellowship, 6. brain, 7. tap

8. She could finish all her work on time because of her _____ skills.
n. the ability to do more than one task at the same time; the state of doing more than one task at the same time
9. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
10. The university's _____ programs aim to promote diversity and understanding among students.
adj. relating to or influenced by the social and cultural factors of a society or group, particularly in relation to its customs, beliefs, values, and practices
11. Little children tend to have _____ friends.
adj. existing only in someone's mind
12. My friend is _____ speaking five different languages fluently.
adj. skilled in or using multiple languages; involving or relating to multiple languages or language groups
13. The pastor contributed to _____ the sense of a community embracing all classes.
v. to promote growth; to take care of another person's child, usually for a limited time, without becoming their legal parents
14. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 8. multitasking, 9. Communal, 10. sociocultural, 11. imaginary, 12. multilingual, 13. fostering, 14. develop

15. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

16. The school offered classes in several different _____ including French, Spanish, and Mandarin.

n. (a Latin word that means "tongue") a language used for communication; the organ in the mouth used for tasting, speaking, and swallowing

17. If you leave the milk out of the refrigerator for too long, it will _____.

v. to ruin the taste, appearance, or quality of something; to become or cause something to become rotten or bad

18. The shark's powerful _____ allowed it to swim at high speeds.

n. a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance

19. The test results were _____ and showed improvement.

adj. giving hope, confidence, or support; inspiring

20. 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

21. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.

adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely

22. With _____ joy, he signed his name.

adj. apparent to the mind, senses, or judgment

ANSWERS: 15. opportune, 16. linguae, 17. spoil, 18. fins, 19. encouraging, 20. individual, 21. incredibly, 22. evident

23. I ____ that you know it.

- v.* to risk money on the result of an event or a competition, such as a race or game, to get more money; to have faith or confidence in something

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

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

25. The _____ photography captured the genuine emotions of the moment.

- adj.* honest, straightforward, and frank in someone's words or actions

26. The _____ of the city is reflected in its architecture.

- n.* the culture and traditions that are passed down from previous generations

27. She struggled to _____ the children's reading habits.

- v.* to supply enough of what somebody or something needs to survive or exist; to accept as valid

28. Her _____ in Spanish allowed her to communicate easily with the locals during her vacation in Mexico.

- n.* expertise or ability in a particular area or skill; skillfulness or adeptness in performing tasks or duties

29. I am _____ opposed to his idea because of morality.

- adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

30. We argue that wages for temporary workers should _____ rise.

- adv.* in almost the same way

ANSWERS: 23. bet, 24. policy, 25. candid, 26. heritage, 27. sustain, 28. proficiency, 29. absolutely, 30. similarly

31. The movie had an _____ sex scene that some viewers might find offensive.

adj. stated clearly and in detail, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

32. This laptop has a _____ processor, making it fast and efficient.

adj. having two parts, aspects, or elements

33. The _____ method of sculpture involves removing material to create a shape.

adj. characterized by taking away or removing something; involving the process of subtracting or reducing something from a larger whole or total

34. They needed further _____ to perform their duties efficiently.

n. detailed direction, order, etc., on how to do or use something

35. I claim on my _____ that it is true.

n. high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

36. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.

v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

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

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

38. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.

n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 31. explicit, 32. dual-core, 33. subtractive, 34. instruction, 35. honor, 36. indicates, 37. transition, 38. function

39. It was _____ for the store to have such a big sale.

adj. not occurring or seen very often; rare

40. New York is a city with a _____ ethnic population.

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

41. The lack of exposure to foreign languages made her a _____ speaker.

adj. being able to speak or use only one language

42. Each _____ group has its unique rituals.

adj. relating or belonging to a group of people who share a cultural tradition

43. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

44. The curtain rose to _____ a fantastic set.

v. to make something, such as secret or new information, known publicly

45. The company is looking for a _____ customer service representative.

n. a person who speaks two languages fluently; (adjective) involving or relating to two languages or language groups

46. The company's hiring criteria emphasize personality, not a person's _____.

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

47. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.

n. the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 39. uncommon, 40. diverse, 41. monolingual, 42. ethnic, 43. incredible, 44. disclose, 45. bilingual, 46. background, 47. economy

48. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.

adj. having received a high standard of education

49. Our naive experience undoubtedly contains a _____ aspect.

adj. relating to language or the study of language

50. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals

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

v. to take part in something

52. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.

n. the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale

53. Investing in real estate can be a _____ business if done correctly.

adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding

54. The _____ effects of the policy change are still being felt.

adj. having a wide or significant impact or influence

55. He should _____ more with his colleagues.

v. to communicate or react with somebody

56. The construction company _____ the building with an earthquake-resistant device.

v. to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity

ANSWERS: 48. educated, 49. linguistic, 50. communicate, 51. participated, 52. commerce, 53. lucrative, 54. far-reaching, 55. interact, 56. equipped

57. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

- n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another

58. The company's cybersecurity team _____ the CEO to potential threats.

- v.* to warn or arouse to a sense of danger; (adjective) paying close attention or being in a state of readiness for action

59. A rose has thorns on its _____.

- n.* the central part of something from which other parts can develop or grow; the part of a word common to all its inflected variants; (verb) to grow out of, have roots in, or originate in

60. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

61. The vegetation here is almost wholly _____.

- adj.* connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

62. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.

- n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

63. This initiative will be a _____ for increasing company sales.

- n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily

64. He _____ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

- v.* to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity

ANSWERS: 57. identity, 58. alerted, 59. stem, 60. conversation, 61. native, 62. span, 63. lever, 64. celebrated

65. The gasoline _____ had leaked from the container.

n. a substance added to something in small amounts, especially food, to improve or preserve it

66. She described herself as _____ having been in relationships with male and female partners.

adj. attracted to both men and women; capable of having a romantic or sexual attraction to both men and women

67. He was impressed by the range and _____ of the collection.

n. the quality or fact of many different types of things or people being included in something; a range of different things or people

68. A minor _____ conflict later led to a civil war.

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

69. Though I love literature, I'm a bad _____.

n. a person who speaks several foreign languages; a person who studies or teaches languages or linguistics

70. Her bright green dress made her _____ among the crowd of black suits and dresses.

n. a person or thing that is exceptionally good, impressive, or noticeable amidst others; something that stands out from the rest; (adjective) particularly prominent, noticeable, or superior in comparison to others in a group or context

71. _____ to the family, the treasure had been hidden in the attic for years.

adv. without the knowledge or awareness of someone; without someone's knowledge or participation

ANSWERS: 65. additive, 66. bisexual, 67. diversity, 68. racial, 69. linguist, 70. standout, 71. Unbeknownst

72. They _____ the room with balloons and streamers for the birthday party.
v. to add beauty or distinction to something by the addition of ornament, art, etc
73. The idea that the government is spying on us is just a _____ of your imagination.
n. something invented or imagined, particularly something that is not real, tangible, or concrete; a product of the imagination
74. My _____ was overwhelming and complicated, but it was also exciting.
n. a duty or task given to someone, usually as part of their job or studies
75. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.
n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
76. This shirt will _____ in the wash.
v. to become smaller, or to make something smaller in size or amount
77. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.
n. a particular example or single occurrence of something
78. A sense of humor is an invaluable _____ in this job.
n. something or someone that is useful or valuable quality, skill, etc.; valuable property
79. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.
v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
80. The woods _____ the house.
v. to accept something willingly and enthusiastically; (noun) the act of clasping another person in the arms as in greeting or affection

ANSWERS: 72. decorated, 73. figment, 74. assignment, 75. rank, 76. shrink, 77. instances, 78. asset, 79. expand, 80. embrace

81. 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
82. His _____ in the other company is responsible for marketing.
n. a person or thing that corresponds to or has the same function as another person or thing
83. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.
adv. now or without delay
84. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
85. The _____ of the article was that technology is rapidly changing our world.
n. the essence or main point of a text, speech, or situation
86. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.
n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
87. His _____ faculties were getting worse because of a lack of sleep.
adj. of or relating to mental processes of understanding
88. The _____ leader promised his followers that they would achieve enlightenment if they followed his teachings.
n. a small religious group, especially one that is not part of a larger religion and that is regarded as outside the norm; followers of an exclusive system of beliefs and practices

ANSWERS: 81. decide, 82. counterpart, 83. immediately, 84. conflicts, 85. gist, 86. quarter, 87. cognitive, 88. cult

89. He used his right _____ to press the button on his phone.
- n.* the short, thick digit of the hand next to the index finger; (verb) to travel by getting free rides from motorists
90. It's intriguing to compare and _____ the two authors.
- v.* to put in opposition to show or emphasize differences
91. University is a great place to _____ our minds and expertise.
- v.* to prepare and foster land for growing crops or plants
92. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial _____ of history.
- n.* any stage in a series of events, change, or development
93. He _____ a good sense of humor.
- v.* to have or own something or to have as an attribute, knowledge, skill, etc.
94. He bought a new _____ to attach the strap to his watch.
- n.* a small object with a head on one end and a sharp point on the other, used for fastening clothing, leather, or other materials; an animal used for breeding, typically a male horse or bull that is of superior breeding stock; (verb) to decorate or adorn with studs; to provide with studs for support
95. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry _____.
- n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
96. The sudden drop in the stock market was an _____ that puzzled many investors.
- n.* something or someone that deviates from what is expected or normal, often in a way that is difficult to explain or understand

ANSWERS: 89. thumb, 90. contrast, 91. cultivate, 92. phase, 93. possesses, 94. stud, 95. norms, 96. anomaly

97. The school offers a _____ program that teaches students Mandarin, English, and Spanish.

adj. being able to speak three languages fluently or proficiently

98. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.

v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something

99. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.

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

100. Change is also occurring in Turkey as a result of _____ reform.

adj. without any order or organization; extremely disorganized, unpredictable, and confusing

101. The government promised to _____ a new system to control the financial crisis.

v. to put a decision, plan, or system into effect

102. He has a flair for _____.

n. the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

103. She is _____ in Spanish and can communicate fluently.

adj. having a high level of skill or knowledge in a particular area

104. Eating food in a hurry _____ blood glucose levels.

v. to raise something from a lower to a higher position; to give a promotion to or assign to a higher position

ANSWERS: 97. trilingual, 98. operate, 99. amazing, 100. chaotic, 101. implement, 102. mathematics, 103. proficient, 104. elevates

105. The war between the two countries was also a battle between competing _____.

n. a particular philosophy or cognitive orientation of life or conception of the world

106. She was the _____ to the rule, as she managed to graduate college in only two years.

n. something that is not included in a general rule or pattern; a person or thing that is excluded or stands apart from others

107. Three _____ tenors performed during the president's inauguration.

adj. renowned for possessing admirable attributes

ANSWERS: 105. worldviews, 106. exception, 107. celebrated