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Session 1: Word List

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.

coronavirus

n. a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2

synonym: covid

(1) **coronavirus** antibody test kit, (2) **coronavirus**

bankruptcy

Considering the situation of **coronavirus**, organized stopped this year's beer festival.

spotlight

n. a beam of light used to illuminate a particular area or person

synonym: limelight, stage light, highlight

(1) **spotlight** effect, (2) **spotlight** moment

The singer was in the **spotlight** as she performed her hit song.

deficit

- n.* the total amount by which money spent is greater than money earned in a particular period of time; the property of being an amount by which something, especially an amount of money, is less than expected or required

synonym: insufficiency, deficiency, shortage

- (1) federal budget **deficit**, (2) an accumulative **deficit**

Exchange rate fluctuations have increased that country's trade **deficit**.

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.

employ

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

synonym: hire, engage, use

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

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

inequality

- n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

synonym: imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

- (1) **inequality** in salary, (2) algebraic **inequality**

There are several causes of economic **inequality** within societies.

government

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

synonym:

administration, regime, state

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

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

extraordinary

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

synonym: exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

(1) **extraordinary** ability, (2) **extraordinary** weather

He narrated the **extraordinary** story of his adventure.

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.

afloat

adj. floating or staying on the surface of a liquid or body of water; having enough money or resources to stay out of debt or financial trouble

synonym: floating, drifting, buoyant

(1) **afloat** in debt, (2) cargo **afloat**

Despite facing financial difficulties, the small business managed to stay **afloat** thanks to its loyal customers.

temporarily

adv. for a limited time only or not permanently

synonym: for a time

(1) a hut made **temporarily**, (2) **temporarily** suspend the production

Some athletes take anabolic steroids to increase muscle size **temporarily**.

debt

n. something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

synonym: liability, obligation, deficit

(1) **debt** ceiling, (2) corporate **debt**

He became in **debt** after losing his job.

relief

n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

synonym: remedy, consolation, alleviation

(1) tax **relief**, (2) sigh of **relief**

He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian **relief** fund.

prolong

v. to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event

synonym: extend, lengthen, stretch

(1) **prolong** the agony, (2) measures to **prolong** the lifespan

We need to **prolong** the meeting for another hour to discuss all the issues.

exciting

adj. causing a lot of interest or excitement

synonym: exhilarating, stimulating, thrilling

(1) **exciting** football player, (2) **exciting** news

The findings of the experiment were both **exciting** and unexpected.

economical

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

synonym: frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

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

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

nation

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

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

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

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

afford

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

(1) **afford** to buy a new car, (2) **afford** a high travel cost
He cannot **afford** a holiday.

invest

v. to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

synonym: fund, sponsor, support

(1) **invest** in stocks, (2) **invest** capital

The government should view children as national assets and actively **invest** in them.

trillion

n. the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million

(1) **trillion** cubic feet, (2) many **trillions** of dollars

One light year is nearly 6 **trillion** miles.

pandemic

n. an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area

synonym: outbreak

(1) flu **pandemic**, (2) global **pandemic**

They fear a **pandemic** of a new type of virus.

mold

n. a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long

synonym: cavity, cast, mildew

(1) a casting **mold**, (2) **mold** allergy

Mushrooms and **mold** are fungi.

bold

adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

synonym: brave, courageous, fearless

(1) a **bold** design, (2) big, **bold** piano sounds

The effort to alleviate climate change needs **bold** action.

slide

v. to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

synonym : glide, drift, drop

(1) **slide** a card across the table, (2) **slide** a glance

If necessary, you can **slide** the front seats forward.

affordable

adj. not expensive and able to pay

synonym : cheap, reasonable, inexpensive

(1) **affordable** housing, (2) **affordable** solution

The automaker has been providing **affordable** car financing options since last year.

crumble

v. to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

synonym : disintegrate, collapse, deteriorate

(1) **crumble** to dust, (2) began to **crumble** under financial pressure

The old building was starting to **crumble** due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.

infrastructure

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

synonym : foundation, framework

(1) IT **infrastructure**, (2) **infrastructure** cost

Aging societies tend to require huge costs for **infrastructure** maintenance.

dental

adj. of or relating to teeth

synonym : oral, tooth, mouth

(1) **dental** hygiene, (2) **dental** care

I have a **dental** appointment at 2 pm to get my teeth cleaned.

vision

n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**
Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
synonym: deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change
The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

climate

n. the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
synonym: atmosphere, weather, environment

(1) a cold **climate**, (2) effects of **climate** change
Climate and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management
The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

congress

n. a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
synonym: legislature, parliament, assembly

(1) an international **congress**, (2) peace **congress**
Congress must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.

debate

n. a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
synonym: argument, discussion, dispute

(1) **debate** topic, (2) **debate** competition

The **debate** over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

involve

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

synonym: implicate, include, engage

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

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

financing

n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

synonym: funding, loan, expenditure

(1) **financing** activity, (2) public **financing**

The investment fund offered **financing** for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.

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.

contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

synonym: donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,

(2) **contribute** to society

Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

academic

adj. associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

synonym : educational, scholarly, theoretical

(1) **academic** probation, (2) an **academic** discussion

An excellent historian must possess an **academic** mentality.

scholarship

n. a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements

synonym : grant, award, stipend

(1) a **scholarship** association, (2) college **scholarship**

She received a full **scholarship** to study abroad.

modern

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

synonym : contemporary, stylish, current

(1) **modern** poetry, (2) pre- **modern** agricultural society

Their headquarters are in a **modern** skyscraper.

monetary

adj. of or relating to the money in the country

synonym : financial, fiscal, economic

(1) the stance of **monetary** policy, (2) **monetary** rewards

The policy might bring more excellent **monetary** stability to the country.

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym : exact, precise, proper

(1) provide **accurate** information, (2) **accurate** measurements

The official transcript contains **accurate** academic records.

fiat

n. a formal authorization or order, typically given by a government, institution, or other authority figures; a decree or edict

synonym : decree, order, command

(1) **fiat** currency, (2) **fiat** agreement

The car manufacturer announced a new **fiat** model that will

be released next year.

currency

n. a system of money in general use in a particular country

synonym: money, tender, cash

(1) **currency** exchange, (2) digital **currency**

The **currency** used in this country is the Euro.

pound

n. the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

(1) three-fourths of a **pound**, (2) thousands of **pounds**

The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred **pounds**.

permeate

v. to spread throughout; to pass through or penetrate every part of something

synonym: penetrate, diffuse, infiltrate

(1) **permeate** the air, (2) **permeate** the fabric

The aroma of freshly baked bread **permeated** the entire bakery.

discourse

n. any form of communication in speech or writing

synonym: discussion, dialogue, communication

(1) hold **discourse** with him, (2) a **discourse** about art

Sweet **discourse** makes short days and nights.

prime

adj. main or most important; basic

synonym: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

minister

n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

synonym: bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

thatch

n. a material, such as straw or reeds, used to cover the roofs of houses or other buildings

synonym : straw, grass, reed

(1) cover with **thatch**, (2) **thatch** of hair

The **thatch** roof was made from local grasses and was a traditional design.

taxpayer

n. a person who pays taxes to the government

synonym : contributor, payer, financier

(1) **taxpayer** money, (2) delinquent **taxpayer**

As a **taxpayer**, he felt his money was wasted on unnecessary government projects.

contemporary

adj. belonging to the same or present time

synonym : modern, stylish, coetaneous

(1) field of **contemporary** art, (2) **contemporary** leaders

Contemporary music has gained different followers from existing music.

dictum

n. a formal pronouncement or authoritative statement; a saying or maxim that is considered to be true or wise

synonym : proverb, aphorism, maxim

(1) the **dictum** of the court, (2) legal **dictum**

The **dictum** of the company was always to put the customer first.

magic

n. beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

synonym : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order

synonym : highest, maximum, foremost

(1) the **ultimate** goal in life, (2) the **ultimate** luxury

Management must take **ultimate** responsibility for the accident.

hook

n. a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook

synonym : buckle, pin, curve

(1) a hat **hook**, (2) the curved shape of a **hook**

Please hang your towel on a **hook**.

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.

saddle

n. a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal;
(verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task

synonym : seat, perch, mount

(1) bestride a **saddle**, (2) **saddle** his company with so much debt

He put the **saddle** on the horse before going for a ride.

corporation

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

synonym : business, company, enterprise

(1) a public **corporation**, (2) **corporation** assets

Four companies were amalgamated into a single **corporation**.

fundamental

adj. forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

synonym : basic, essential, entire

(1) **fundamental** education, (2) **fundamental** rights

Human behavior has **fundamental** characteristics.

balance

n. a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

synonym : equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

(1) the **balance** of power, (2) asset on the company's **balance** sheet

Try to keep a **balance** between work and off.

military

adj. relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

synonym : armed, martial, warlike

(1) a **military** operation, (2) a **military** leader

The **military** academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

arsenal

n. a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor

synonym : storage, stockpile, armory

(1) **arsenal** of knowledge, (2) political **arsenal**

The police found a hidden **arsenal** of weapons in the suspect's house.

president

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

synonym : leader, CEO, chairperson

(1) **president** emeritus, (2) vice- **president** for finance

The club **president** does not have absolute power.

federal

adj. relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level

synonym : national, central, governmental

(1) **federal** regulations, (2) **federal** funding

The **federal** government announced new regulations to

protect the environment.

reserve

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

synonym: keep, hold, preserve

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

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

electron

n. a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

synonym: negatron

(1) flow of **electrons**, (2) beam of **electrons**

The outermost **electron** shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.

payroll

n. a list of a company's employees and their salaries or wages; the total amount of money paid by a company to its employees regularly

synonym: salary list, wages, earnings

(1) **payroll** system, (2) **payroll** tax

The company's **payroll** department processed the paychecks every two weeks.

expense

n. the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something

synonym: cost, expenditure, outlay

(1) enormous **expenses**, (2) **expense** account

For this project to be successful, we must control **expenses** strictly.

mint

n. a place where coins, paper money, or medals are produced under government authority; any north temperate plant of the genus *Mentha* with aromatic leaves and small mauve flowers

synonym: factory, foundry, herb

(1) a **mint** of money, (2) **mint** flavor

The **mint** produces thousands of coins each day.

digital

adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet

synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature

Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

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.

keyboard

n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work

synonym : console, piano

(1) numeric **keyboard**, (2) **keyboard** instruments

Please strike the "enter" on the **keyboard**.

lawmaker

n. a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws

synonym : lawgiver, legislator, solon

(1) female **lawmaker**, (2) incumbent **lawmaker**

This company has increased political contributions to federal **lawmakers**.

pay-for-performance

adj. of or relating to a compensation system in which an individual's pay or bonuses are based on their performance or success at achieving certain goals or metrics rather than a fixed salary or hourly wage

synonym : performance-based, incentives-based, merit-based

(1) **pay-for-performance** incentives,

(2) **pay-for-performance** healthcare

The **pay-for-performance** model rewards employees based on their productivity and results.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

(1) **unfortunately** caught in a shower, (2) even more **unfortunately**

The treatments were done but, **unfortunately**, were unsuccessful.

rap

n. a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

synonym: hip-hop, emceeing, MCing

(1) **rap** music, (2) get a **rap**

The new **rap** album is getting a lot of attention.

negative

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

synonym: minus, adverse, pessimistic

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

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

deficiency

n. the state of lack, or not having enough of, something that is essential

synonym: insufficiency, shortage, depletion

(1) a **deficiency** of copper and zinc, (2) a mild degree of mental **deficiency**

Vitamin **deficiency** can lead to various illnesses.

shortfall

n. the amount by which something falls short of its target or goal; a deficit or shortage in quantity, quality, or standards

synonym: deficit, shortage, insufficiency

(1) energy **shortfall**, (2) production **shortfall**

The company experienced a significant financial **shortfall** last quarter.

ominous

adj. giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding

synonym: foreboding, portentous, ominous

(1) an **ominous** silence, (2) **ominous** sign

The **ominous** clouds in the sky foretold of an approaching storm.

surplus

n. an amount of something more than what is needed or required; excess or extra supply

synonym: excess, surplusage, remainder

(1) budget **surplus**, (2) **surplus** of exports

The food **surplus** at the end of the event was donated to a local homeless shelter.

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.

hawk

n. a bird of prey typically having short rounded wings and a long tail; an advocate of an aggressive policy on foreign relations

synonym: militarist, jingo, aggressor

(1) cast off a **hawk**, (2) congressional **hawk**

That team signed a center forward who was a ball- **hawk**.

ledger

n. a book or computer program used to keep track of financial transactions; a collection of records or accounts kept in such a book or program

synonym: book, register, account

(1) financial **ledger**, (2) personal **ledger**

The auditor checked every entry in the **ledger** for accuracy.

contribution

n. the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

synonym : donation, gift, offering

(1) make a positive **contribution**, (2) **contribution** to society

His **contribution** to the charity was a generous donation of money.

accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

synonym : achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations

Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

windfall

n. an unexpected benefit or advantage, especially a large profit or gain

synonym : bonus, unexpected gain

(1) **windfall** profit, (2) reap a **windfall**

Winning the lottery was an unexpected **windfall** for him.

spark

v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

synonym : start, inspire, provoke

(1) **spark** his interest, (2) **spark** a chain reaction

The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate **sparked** turmoil in the stock market.

recession

n. a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases

synonym : downturn, slump, contraction

(1) **recession** period, (2) recover from a **recession**

The country is facing a **recession**, with high unemployment and low GDP.

fiscal

adj. relating to government revenue and expenditures;
relating to financial matters

synonym: financial, monetary, economic

(1) **fiscal** policy, (2) **fiscal** year

The government is facing a **fiscal** crisis due to high levels of debt.

responsible

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

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

finance

n. the management of money, credit, banking, and
investments, especially by a government or commercial
organization; the branch of economics that studies the
management of money and other assets

synonym: banking, investment, fund

(1) **finance** act, (2) manage my **finances**

Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in
finance.

inflation

n. a general and progressive increase in prices;
(cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of
space in the early universe; the act of filling something
with air

synonym: increase, swelling, boom

(1) **inflation** control, (2) global **inflation**

Investment in index funds can often be a hedge against
inflation.

rail

n. a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make
fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain
bitterly

synonym: bar, beam, (verb) criticize

(1) **rail** system, (2) **rail** against his enemies

The children leaned over the bridge **rail** to watch the fish swimming below.

concrete

adj. existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement

synonym : actual, factual, hardened

(1) a **concrete** noun, (2) **concrete** examples

The president asked for a more **concrete** plan.

steel

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

synonym : iron

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

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

lumber

n. wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily

synonym : timber, wood, logs

(1) **lumber** industry, (2) rough **lumber**

The **lumber** yard had a wide selection of wood for building and construction.

construct

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

synonym : build, assemble, create

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

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

architect

n. a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings

synonym : creator, designer, planner

(1) landscape **architect**, (2) **architect** of the peace accord

The building **architect** tried to build the house above the tree.

engineer

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

synonym: architect, creator, builder

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

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

panel

n. a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

synonym: board, commission, discussion

(1) **panel** discussion, (2) cost of solar **panels**

A **panel** of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

dentist

n. a person who is qualified and licensed to treat people's teeth

synonym: oral surgeon, orthodontist, periodontist

(1) a **dentist's** office, (2) consult a **dentist**

I am going to the family **dentist** to get my teeth cleaned.

optometrist

n. a healthcare professional who specializes in the examination, diagnosis, and treatment of vision and eye-related disorders and who may prescribe and fit corrective lenses or other optical aids

synonym: eye doctor, optician, oculist

(1) **optometrist** appointment, (2) licensed **optometrist**

I visited an **optometrist** to have my eyes checked for a new prescription for glasses.

audiology

n. the study of hearing and hearing disorders, including the diagnosis and rehabilitation of hearing loss and communication difficulties

synonym: hearing science, hearing healthcare, audiometry

(1) **audiology** clinic, (2) **audiology** test

The healthcare facility's **audiology** department provides comprehensive audiological services to patients.

faculty

n. an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge

synonym : capability, talent, aptitude

(1) a member of the **faculty**, (2) the illative **faculty** of the mind

This university's computer science **faculty** is world distinguished.

dormitory

n. a large room or building that provides sleeping quarters for multiple people, typically students or workers, often in separate beds or cubicles

synonym : dorm, residence hall, hostel

(1) college **dormitory**, (2) shared **dormitory**

The girls' **dormitory** had a strict curfew of 11 p.m.

spare

adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone

synonym : extra, excess, (verb) afford

(1) **spare** parts, (2) **spare** cost

I made plans to spend my **spare** time beneficially.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

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

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym : finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym: contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

sector

n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

synonym: division, department, branch

(1) industrial **sector**, (2) private **sector**

The technology **sector** is constantly evolving and innovating.

wage

n. a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

synonym: payment, compensation, salary

(1) unpaid **wages**, (2) increase in the minimum **wage**

His **wages** continued to rise as his skills improved.

irresponsible

adj. not showing a proper sense of responsibility; not reliable

synonym: careless, reckless, thoughtless

(1) **irresponsible** actions, (2) **irresponsible** behavior

It was **irresponsible** of him to drive home after drinking so much alcohol.

aim

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

synonym: aspire, direct, target

(1) **aim** at a specific target, (2) **aim** to be a nurse

We **aim** for an overseas expansion.

assemble

v. to collect in one place as a single group

synonym: gather, congregate, collect

(1) **assemble** your colleagues, (2) **assemble** a jigsaw puzzle

The president began to **assemble** an army.

fragile

adj. delicate or easily broken or damaged

synonym : delicate, brittle, breakable

(1) politically **fragile** nation, (2) **fragile** ecosystem

The vase was made of **fragile** ceramic and easily broke when it was dropped.

anew

adv. in a new or different way

synonym : again, once more, fresh

(1) arm **anew**, (2) review **anew**

He decided to start **anew** and leave his old life behind.

bountiful

adj. abundant or plentiful, often used to describe a source of food, wealth, or other resources

synonym : abundant, plentiful, generous

(1) **bountiful** compliments, (2) **bountiful** blessings

The farmer's land was **bountiful** and produced a large harvest.

planet

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

synonym : earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**

Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

Session 2: Spelling

1. r__l against his enemies *n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly
2. incumbent la____er *n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
3. ex____e account *n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
4. op_____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
5. hold di_____se with him *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
6. cr___s management *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
7. reap a wi_____ll *n.* an unexpected benefit or advantage, especially a large profit or gain
8. lu___r industry *n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
9. have a ne____ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

ANSWERS: 1. rail, 2. lawmaker, 3. expense, 4. opportune, 5. discourse, 6. crisis, 7. windfall, 8. lumber, 9. negative

10. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
11. three-fourths of a po__d *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
12. pay_____nce incentives *adj.* of or relating to a compensation system in which an individual's pay or bonuses are based on their performance or success at achieving certain goals or metrics rather than a fixed salary or hourly wage
13. increase in the minimum w__e *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
14. r__l system *n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly
15. even more unf_____ely *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
16. enormous ex_____es *n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
17. re_____on period *n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
18. industrial se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

ANSWERS: 10. construct, 11. pound, 12. pay-for-performance, 13. wage, 14. rail, 15. unfortunately, 16. expense, 17. recession, 18. sector

19. cor_____us bankruptcy *n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2
20. measures to pr____g the lifespan *v.* to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event
21. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
22. pre-mo____n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
23. a de_____t's office *n.* a person who is qualified and licensed to treat people's teeth
24. the per_____ve of the battle *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
25. aff_____le solution *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
26. provide ac_____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details
27. a co_____te noun *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
28. get a r_p *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

ANSWERS: 19. coronavirus, 20. prolong, 21. economical, 22. modern, 23. dentist, 24. perspective, 25. affordable, 26. accurate, 27. concrete, 28. rap

29. peace co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
30. f__t currency *n.* a formal authorization or order, typically given by a government, institution, or other authority figures; a decree or edict
31. af____t in debt *adj.* floating or staying on the surface of a liquid or body of water; having enough money or resources to stay out of debt or financial trouble
32. a ma__c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
33. wi_____ll profit *n.* an unexpected benefit or advantage, especially a large profit or gain
34. res_____le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
35. political ar_____l *n.* a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor
36. ar_____ct of the peace accord *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
37. a_m at a specific target *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something

ANSWERS: 29. congress, 30. fiat, 31. afloat, 32. magic, 33. windfall, 34. responsible, 35. arsenal, 36. architect, 37. aim

38. cor_____us antibody test kit *n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2
39. a public cor_____on *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
40. a mi_____ry operation *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
41. an international co_____ss *n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
42. a seafaring na_____n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
43. tem_____ly suspend the production *adv.* for a limited time only or not permanently
44. legal di_____m *n.* a formal pronouncement or authoritative statement; a saying or maxim that is considered to be true or wise
45. con_____te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
46. energy sh_____ll *n.* the amount by which something falls short of its target or goal; a deficit or shortage in quantity, quality, or standards

ANSWERS: 38. coronavirus, 39. corporation, 40. military, 41. congress, 42. nation, 43. temporarily, 44. dictum, 45. contribute, 46. shortfall

47. cor_____on assets *n.* a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
48. sp__e parts *adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
49. en_____er shortage *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
50. bo_____ul compliments *adj.* abundant or plentiful, often used to describe a source of food, wealth, or other resources
51. cover with th____h *n.* a material, such as straw or reeds, used to cover the roofs of houses or other buildings
52. an om_____s silence *adj.* giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
53. fi____l policy *adj.* relating to government revenue and expenditures; relating to financial matters
54. unf_____ely caught in a shower *adv.* by bad luck; unluckily
55. a_m to be a nurse *v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something
56. recover from a re_____on *n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
57. sl__e a card across the table *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption

ANSWERS: 47. corporation, 48. spare, 49. engineer, 50. bountiful, 51. thatch, 52. ominous, 53. fiscal, 54. unfortunately, 55. aim, 56. recession, 57. slide

58. the curved shape of a h__k *n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook
59. in___t capital *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result
60. a prodigious vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
61. a ne____ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
62. d__t ceiling *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something
63. su____s of exports *n.* an amount of something more than what is needed or required; excess or extra supply
64. ta____er money *n.* a person who pays taxes to the government
65. m__t flavor *n.* a place where coins, paper money, or medals are produced under government authority; any north temperate plant of the genus *Mentha* with aromatic leaves and small mauve flowers
66. de___e competition *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

ANSWERS: 58. hook, 59. invest, 60. vision, 61. negative, 62. debt, 63. surplus, 64. taxpayer, 65. mint, 66. debate

67. deputy pr__e minister *adj.* main or most important; basic
68. ac____te measurements *adj.* correct and exact in all details
69. landscape ar_____ct *n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
70. res_____le action *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
71. save the pl___t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
72. a casting m__d *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
73. a def_____cy of copper and zinc *n.* the state of lack, or not having enough of, something that is essential
74. opt_____st appointment *n.* a healthcare professional who specializes in the examination, diagnosis, and treatment of vision and eye-related disorders and who may prescribe and fit corrective lenses or other optical aids
75. financial cr___s *n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 67. prime, 68. accurate, 69. architect, 70. responsible, 71. planet, 72. mold, 73. deficiency, 74. optometrist, 75. crisis

76. ar____l of knowledge *n.* a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor
77. in_____e a high degree of risk *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
78. global in_____on *n.* a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air
79. 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
80. di_____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
81. shared do_____ry *n.* a large room or building that provides sleeping quarters for multiple people, typically students or workers, often in separate beds or cubicles
82. af____d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something

ANSWERS: 76. arsenal, 77. involve, 78. inflation, 79. economy, 80. digital, 81. dormitory, 82. afford

83. re____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
84. irr_____ble behavior *adj.* not showing a proper sense of responsibility; not reliable
85. she is ma__c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
86. telescopic vi___n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
87. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
88. r_p music *n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed
89. cu_____cy exchange *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
90. pa_____l tax *n.* a list of a company's employees and their salaries or wages; the total amount of money paid by a company to its employees regularly
91. corporate d__t *n.* something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

ANSWERS: 83. reserve, 84. irresponsible, 85. magic, 86. vision, 87. spark, 88. rap, 89. currency, 90. payroll, 91. debt

92. 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
93. ex____ng football player *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
94. fr____e ecosystem *adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged
95. unpaid w__es *n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
96. many tr____ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
97. algebraic ine____ty *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
98. na____n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
99. digital cu____cy *n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
100. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
101. pay_____nce healthcare *adj.* of or relating to a compensation system in which an individual's pay or bonuses are based on their performance or success at achieving certain goals or metrics rather than a fixed salary or hourly wage

ANSWERS: 92. economy, 93. exciting, 94. fragile, 95. wage, 96. trillion, 97. inequality, 98. nation, 99. currency, 100. suddenly, 101. pay-for-performance

102. au_____gy clinic *n.* the study of hearing and hearing disorders, including the diagnosis and rehabilitation of hearing loss and communication difficulties
103. pa__l discussion *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
104. financial le____r *n.* a book or computer program used to keep track of financial transactions; a collection of records or accounts kept in such a book or program
105. as_____le your colleagues *v.* to collect in one place as a single group
106. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
107. manage my fi_____es *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
108. co_____e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
109. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
110. cr_____e to dust *v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support

ANSWERS: 102. audiology, 103. panel, 104. ledger, 105. assemble, 106. economical, 107. finance, 108. compete, 109. afford, 110. crumble

111. IT inf_____ure *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
112. an ac_____ic discussion *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
113. cast off a h__k *n.* a bird of prey typically having short rounded wings and a long tail; an advocate of an aggressive policy on foreign relations
114. in_____on control *n.* a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air
115. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
116. pr__e number *adj.* main or most important; basic
117. 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
118. help ta___e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
119. aff_____le housing *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
120. fun_____al rights *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

ANSWERS: 111. infrastructure, 112. academic, 113. hawk, 114. inflation, 115. bold, 116. prime, 117. equip, 118. tackle, 119. affordable, 120. fundamental

121. con_____ary leaders *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
122. pl____t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
123. ex____d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
124. fi____l year *adj.* relating to government revenue and expenditures; relating to financial matters
125. th____h of hair *n.* a material, such as straw or reeds, used to cover the roofs of houses or other buildings
126. consult a de_____t *n.* a person who is qualified and licensed to treat people's teeth
127. a member of the fa_____y *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
128. bestride a sa_____e *n.* a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task
129. the ul_____te goal in life *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
130. inf_____ure cost *n.* the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies
131. in____t in stocks *v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

ANSWERS: 121. contemporary, 122. planet, 123. expand, 124. fiscal, 125. thatch, 126. dentist, 127. faculty, 128. saddle, 129. ultimate, 130. infrastructure, 131. invest

132. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
133. tr_____on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
134. fun_____al education *adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected
135. sa___e his company with so much debt *n.* a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task
136. 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
137. the ul_____te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
138. federal budget de_____t *n.* the total amount by which money spent is greater than money earned in a particular period of time; the property of being an amount by which something, especially an amount of money, is less than expected or required
139. sp_____ht moment *n.* a beam of light used to illuminate a particular area or person
140. delinquent ta_____er *n.* a person who pays taxes to the government

ANSWERS: 132. modern, 133. trillion, 134. fundamental, 135. saddle, 136. process, 137. ultimate, 138. deficit, 139. spotlight, 140. taxpayer

141. production sh_____ll *n.* the amount by which something falls short of its target or goal; a deficit or shortage in quantity, quality, or standards
142. co_____te examples *adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
143. make a positive con_____ion *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
144. the di____m of the court *n.* a formal pronouncement or authoritative statement; a saying or maxim that is considered to be true or wise
145. sl__e a glance *v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
146. an accumulative de_____t *n.* the total amount by which money spent is greater than money earned in a particular period of time; the property of being an amount by which something, especially an amount of money, is less than expected or required
147. politically fr_____e nation *adj.* delicate or easily broken or damaged
148. as_____le a jigsaw puzzle *v.* to collect in one place as a single group
149. st__l beam *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure

ANSWERS: 141. shortfall, 142. concrete, 143. contribution, 144. dictum, 145. slide, 146. deficit, 147. fragile, 148. assemble, 149. steel

150. ine_____ty in salary *n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
151. congressional h__k *n.* a bird of prey typically having short rounded wings and a long tail; an advocate of an aggressive policy on foreign relations
152. licensed opt_____st *n.* a healthcare professional who specializes in the examination, diagnosis, and treatment of vision and eye-related disorders and who may prescribe and fit corrective lenses or other optical aids
153. the stance of mo_____ry policy *adj.* of or relating to the money in the country
154. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
155. in_____e a lot of paperwork *v.* to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
156. thousands of po__ds *n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces
157. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
158. the ba_____e of power *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away

ANSWERS: 150. inequality, 151. hawk, 152. optometrist, 153. monetary, 154. opportune, 155. involve, 156. pound, 157. construct, 158. balance

159. deputy prime mi____er *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
160. Mi____er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
161. a cold cl____e *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
162. magnetic st__l *n.* a strong metal alloy made up of iron with typically a few tenths of a percent of carbon used for making things that need a strong structure
163. flu pa____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
164. con____te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
165. vice-pr____nt for finance *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
166. tax re____f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
167. global pa____ic *n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
168. mo____ry rewards *adj.* of or relating to the money in the country
169. au____gy test *n.* the study of hearing and hearing disorders, including the diagnosis and rehabilitation of hearing loss and communication difficulties

ANSWERS: 159. minister, 160. minister, 161. climate, 162. steel, 163. pandemic, 164. contribute, 165. president, 166. relief, 167. pandemic, 168. monetary, 169. audiology

170. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
171. a m__t of money *n.* a place where coins, paper money, or medals are produced under government authority; any north temperate plant of the genus *Mentha* with aromatic leaves and small mauve flowers
172. flow of el_____ons *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
173. a mild degree of mental def_____cy *n.* the state of lack, or not having enough of, something that is essential
174. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
175. fi_____ng activity *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
176. irr_____ble actions *adj.* not showing a proper sense of responsibility; not reliable
177. personal le____r *n.* a book or computer program used to keep track of financial transactions; a collection of records or accounts kept in such a book or program
178. big, b__d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks

ANSWERS: 170. expand, 171. mint, 172. electron, 173. deficiency, 174. process, 175. financing, 176. irresponsible, 177. ledger, 178. bold

179. public fi_____ng *n.* the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project
180. pr_____nt emeritus *n.* the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.
181. bo_____ul blessings *adj.* abundant or plentiful, often used to describe a source of food, wealth, or other resources
182. ke_____rd instruments *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
183. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
184. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
185. a hat h__k *n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook
186. college do_____ry *n.* a large room or building that provides sleeping quarters for multiple people, typically students or workers, often in separate beds or cubicles
187. fe_____l regulations *adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level

ANSWERS: 179. financing, 180. president, 181. bountiful, 182. keyboard, 183. extraordinary, 184. discovery, 185. hook, 186. dormitory, 187. federal

188. beam of el_____ons *n.* a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
189. em____y a new method *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
190. pe_____te the air *v.* to spread throughout; to pass through or penetrate every part of something
191. de___l hygiene *adj.* of or relating to teeth
192. acc_____sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
193. college sch_____ip *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
194. a per_____ve view *n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something
195. private se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
196. budget su_____s *n.* an amount of something more than what is needed or required; excess or extra supply
197. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
198. field of con_____ary art *adj.* belonging to the same or present time
199. co_____e fiercely *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

ANSWERS: 188. electron, 189. employ, 190. permeate, 191. dental, 192. accomplish, 193. scholarship, 194. perspective, 195. sector, 196. surplus, 197. extraordinary, 198. contemporary, 199. compete

200. pe____te the fabric *v.* to spread throughout; to pass through or penetrate every part of something
201. cost of solar pa__ls *n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something
202. the illative fa____y of the mind *n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
203. om____s sign *adj.* giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
204. con_____ion to society *n.* the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause
205. fi_____e act *n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
206. gov_____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
207. ta____e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
208. sp_____ht effect *n.* a beam of light used to illuminate a particular area or person

ANSWERS: 200. permeate, 201. panel, 202. faculty, 203. ominous, 204. contribution, 205. finance, 206. government, 207. tackle, 208. spotlight

209. m__d allergy *n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
210. a hut made tem_____ly *adv.* for a limited time only or not permanently
211. effects of cl_____e change *n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
212. em_____y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
213. review a__w *adv.* in a new or different way
214. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
215. pr_____g the agony *v.* to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event
216. ac_____ic probation *adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills
217. pa_____l system *n.* a list of a company's employees and their salaries or wages; the total amount of money paid by a company to its employees regularly
218. gov_____nt bureaucracy *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state

ANSWERS: 209. mold, 210. temporarily, 211. climate, 212. employ, 213. anew, 214. spark, 215. prolong, 216. academic, 217. payroll, 218. government

219. sp__e cost *adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
220. eq__p an army *v.* to provide a person or a place with the things that are needed for a particular purpose or activity
221. a mi____ry leader *adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
222. de___l care *adj.* of or relating to teeth
223. cargo af___t *adj.* floating or staying on the surface of a liquid or body of water; having enough money or resources to stay out of debt or financial trouble
224. began to cr____e under financial pressure *v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support
225. de___e topic *n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives
226. ex____ng news *adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement
227. a civil en____er *n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
228. female la____er *n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws

ANSWERS: 219. spare, 220. equip, 221. military, 222. dental, 223. afloat, 224. crumble, 225. debate, 226. exciting, 227. engineer, 228. lawmaker

229. numeric ke____rd *n.* device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
230. rough lu____r *n.* wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily
231. a di____se about art *n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
232. re____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
233. ind____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
234. a sch____ip association *n.* a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
235. a di____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
236. asset on the company's ba____e sheet *n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
237. acc____sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully

ANSWERS: 229. keyboard, 230. lumber, 231. discourse, 232. reserve, 233. individual, 234. scholarship, 235. digital, 236. balance, 237. accomplish

238. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
239. sigh of re___f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
240. fe_____l funding *adj.* relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level
241. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
242. arm a__w *adv.* in a new or different way
243. f__t agreement *n.* a formal authorization or order, typically given by a government, institution, or other authority figures; a decree or edict
244. die su_____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly

ANSWERS: 238. individual, 239. relief, 240. federal, 241. discovery, 242. anew, 243. fiat, 244. suddenly

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He cannot _____ a holiday.
v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
2. Vitamin _____ can lead to various illnesses.
n. the state of lack, or not having enough of, something that is essential
3. Investment in index funds can often be a hedge against _____.
n. a general and progressive increase in prices; (cosmology) a theory of the exponential expansion of space in the early universe; the act of filling something with air
4. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.
adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
5. I am going to the family _____ to get my teeth cleaned.
n. a person who is qualified and licensed to treat people's teeth
6. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
7. Mercury is the closest _____ to the sun.
n. any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
8. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

ANSWERS: 1. afford, 2. deficiency, 3. inflation, 4. ultimate, 5. dentist, 6. discovery, 7. planet, 8. compete

9. The aroma of freshly baked bread _____ the entire bakery.
v. to spread throughout; to pass through or penetrate every part of something
10. The vase was made of _____ ceramic and easily broke when it was dropped.
adj. delicate or easily broken or damaged
11. The _____ occasionally preaches at this church.
n. a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
12. I made plans to spend my _____ time beneficially.
adj. additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
13. The _____ clouds in the sky foretold of an approaching storm.
adj. giving the impression that something bad is going to happen; foreboding
14. As a _____ he felt his money was wasted on unnecessary government projects.
n. a person who pays taxes to the government
15. We need to _____ the meeting for another hour to discuss all the issues.
v. to extend the duration or length of something, particularly a period of time or an event
16. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.
adj. brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
17. He became in _____ after losing his job.
n. something, especially money, goods, or services owed by one person to another; the state of owing something

ANSWERS: 9. permeated, 10. fragile, 11. minister, 12. spare, 13. ominous, 14. taxpayer, 15. prolong, 16. bold, 17. debt

18. Our company decided to hire an advisor who specializes in _____.
- n.* the management of money, credit, banking, and investments, especially by a government or commercial organization; the branch of economics that studies the management of money and other assets
19. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
- adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
20. The children leaned over the bridge _____ to watch the fish swimming below.
- n.* a long, thin piece of metal or wood that is used to make fences or as a support for something; (verb) to complain bitterly
21. The company's _____ department processed the paychecks every two weeks.
- n.* a list of a company's employees and their salaries or wages; the total amount of money paid by a company to its employees regularly
22. The _____ roof was made from local grasses and was a traditional design.
- n.* a material, such as straw or reeds, used to cover the roofs of houses or other buildings
23. This university's computer science _____ is world distinguished.
- n.* an inborn or natural ability to hear, see, think, move, etc.; a department or group of the university concerned with a major division of knowledge
24. 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: 18. finance, 19. digital, 20. rail, 21. payroll, 22. thatch, 23. faculty, 24. economy

25. The _____ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.
- n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
26. That team signed a center forward who was a ball-_____.
- n.* a bird of prey typically having short rounded wings and a long tail; an advocate of an aggressive policy on foreign relations
27. The building _____ tried to build the house above the tree.
- n.* a person whose job is to design plans to be used in making something, such as buildings
28. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.
- n.* a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
29. The country is facing a _____ with high unemployment and low GDP.
- n.* a period of economic decline, typically lasting for six months or more, during which trade and industrial activity decrease, and unemployment increases
30. The automaker has been providing _____ car financing options since last year.
- adj.* not expensive and able to pay
31. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.
- n.* a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
32. His father's death changed his whole _____ on life.
- n.* a confident attitude toward something; a particular style of thinking about something

ANSWERS: 25. engineer, 26. hawk, 27. architect, 28. crisis, 29. recession, 30. affordable, 31. balance, 32. perspective

33. The government is facing a _____ crisis due to high levels of debt.
adj. relating to government revenue and expenditures; relating to financial matters
34. The car manufacturer announced a new _____ model that will be released next year.
n. a formal authorization or order, typically given by a government, institution, or other authority figures; a decree or edict
35. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
36. We _____ for an overseas expansion.
v. to try or plan to get or achieve something
37. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
38. Please strike the "enter" on the _____.
n. device consisting of a set of keys on a piano, typewriter, computer, etc., that you press to make it work
39. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
40. Humankind took centuries to _____ true democracy.
v. to finish or achieve something successfully

ANSWERS: 33. fiscal, 34. fiat, 35. government, 36. aim, 37. vision, 38. keyboard, 39. opportune, 40. accomplish

41. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.
- v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
42. The company experienced a significant financial _____ last quarter.
- n.* the amount by which something falls short of its target or goal; a deficit or shortage in quantity, quality, or standards
43. Please hang your towel on a _____.
- n.* a curved device used for suspending, holding, or pulling something, especially one attached to a surface for hanging things on; a sharp curve or crook
44. If necessary, you can _____ the front seats forward.
- v.* to move or cause to move smoothly along a surface without interruption
45. The president asked for a more _____ plan.
- adj.* existing in a physical or material form rather than an abstract one; based on facts rather than ideas or guesses; made of or covered with cement
46. Exchange rate fluctuations have increased that country's trade _____.
- n.* the total amount by which money spent is greater than money earned in a particular period of time; the property of being an amount by which something, especially an amount of money, is less than expected or required
47. This company has increased political contributions to federal _____.
- n.* a politician or legislator who is responsible for making and changing laws
48. For this project to be successful, we must control _____ strictly.
- n.* the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something

ANSWERS: 41. reserve, 42. shortfall, 43. hook, 44. slide, 45. concrete, 46. deficit, 47. lawmakers, 48. expenses

49. He decided to start _____ and leave his old life behind.

adv. in a new or different way

50. The food _____ at the end of the event was donated to a local homeless shelter.

n. an amount of something more than what is needed or required; excess or extra supply

51. The _____ yard had a wide selection of wood for building and construction.

n. wood that has been sawn or cut into planks, boards, or other structural shapes for use in construction; the act of moving heavily or clumsily

52. The farmer's land was _____ and produced a large harvest.

adj. abundant or plentiful, often used to describe a source of food, wealth, or other resources

53. Winning the lottery was an unexpected _____ for him.

n. an unexpected benefit or advantage, especially a large profit or gain

54. The outermost _____ shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.

n. a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

55. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.

n. a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit

56. The healthcare facility's _____ department provides comprehensive audiological services to patients.

n. the study of hearing and hearing disorders, including the diagnosis and rehabilitation of hearing loss and communication difficulties

ANSWERS: 49. anew, 50. surplus, 51. lumber, 52. bountiful, 53. windfall, 54. electron, 55. corporation, 56. audiology

57. The _____ produces thousands of coins each day.
- n.* a place where coins, paper money, or medals are produced under government authority; any north temperate plant of the genus *Mentha* with aromatic leaves and small mauve flowers
58. Mushrooms and _____ are fungi.
- n.* a hollow container used to give shape to liquid or soft substance, which then becomes solid in the same shape as the container; a soft, green, or gray growth that forms on stale food or objects exposed to warm, moist air for too long
59. The policy might bring more excellent _____ stability to the country.
- adj.* of or relating to the money in the country
60. 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
61. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.
- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
62. The movie has received almost universally _____ criticism.
- adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
63. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.
- n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
64. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.
- v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity

ANSWERS: 57. mint, 58. mold, 59. monetary, 60. individual, 61. nation, 62. negative, 63. trillion, 64. sparked

65. The auditor checked every entry in the _____ for accuracy.
- n.* a book or computer program used to keep track of financial transactions; a collection of records or accounts kept in such a book or program
66. 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
67. They fear a _____ of a new type of virus.
- n.* an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
68. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
69. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
- v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
70. Considering the situation of _____ organized stopped this year's beer festival.
- n.* a large family of viruses that can cause illness in humans and animals, which name comes from the crown-like spikes on the surface of the virus, which can be seen under a microscope, and COVID-19 is caused by a specific type of coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2
71. Government workers cannot _____ to political campaigns.
- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

ANSWERS: 65. ledger, 66. process, 67. pandemic, 68. employ, 69. tackle, 70. coronavirus, 71. contribute

72. The new ____ album is getting a lot of attention.

- n.* a type of music characterized by a strong, repetitive beat and lyrics that often focus on social and political issues; a reproach for some lapse or misdeed

73. The president began to _____ an army.

- v.* to collect in one place as a single group

74. The findings of the experiment were both _____ and unexpected.

- adj.* causing a lot of interest or excitement

75. The government should view children as national assets and actively _____ in them.

- v.* to put money, effort, time, etc. into something to make a profit or achieve a result

76. 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

77. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the _____ suspect.

- adj.* main or most important; basic

78. The police found a hidden _____ of weapons in the suspect's house.

- n.* a collection of weapons or military equipment stored in preparation for war or conflict; a collection of resources or tools available for use in a particular field or endeavor

79. An excellent historian must possess an _____ mentality.

- adj.* associated with schools, colleges, and universities, especially studying and thinking, not with practical skills

ANSWERS: 72. rap, 73. assemble, 74. exciting, 75. invest, 76. equipped, 77. prime, 78. arsenal, 79. academic

80. The girls' _____ had a strict curfew of 11 p.m.
- n.* a large room or building that provides sleeping quarters for multiple people, typically students or workers, often in separate beds or cubicles
81. _____ must consider this proposal in an unusual situation.
- n.* a formal meeting of the representatives of different countries, constituent states, organizations, trade unions, political parties, or other groups
82. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
- v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
83. The _____ used in this country is the Euro.
- n.* a system of money in general use in a particular country
84. _____ and weather have an impact on every part of our lifestyles.
- n.* the weather in a particular location averaged over some long period
85. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.
- adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
86. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.
- v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
87. He performed _____ tricks with sophisticated moves.
- n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 80. dormitory, 81. Congress, 82. constructs, 83. currency, 84. Climate, 85. economical, 86. expand, 87. magic

88. The car's front bumper cost fifteen hundred _____.

- n.* the standard unit of money in the UK; the standard unit of weight equal to 16 ounces

89. His _____ continued to rise as his skills improved.

- n.* a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services

90. Human behavior has _____ characteristics.

- adj.* forming an essential base or core from which everything else develops or is affected

91. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.

- n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity

92. The _____ over climate change continues to be a hot topic in politics.

- n.* a formal discussion or argument of opposing viewpoints, often to persuade others to adopt a specific position; a public discussion, often on an issue of current interest, in which participants offer opinions and differing perspectives

93. The _____ academy was known for its strict discipline and training.

- adj.* relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare

94. A _____ of economic advisers from the United States visited the country to help rebuild its economy.

- n.* a square or rectangular and flat piece of something that forms a distinct section or component of something; a small group of specialists who discuss particular topics or give their advice or opinion about something

ANSWERS: 88. pounds, 89. wages, 90. fundamental, 91. sector, 92. debate, 93. military, 94. panel

95. I visited an _____ to have my eyes checked for a new prescription for glasses.
- n.* a healthcare professional who specializes in the examination, diagnosis, and treatment of vision and eye-related disorders and who may prescribe and fit corrective lenses or other optical aids
96. I have a _____ appointment at 2 pm to get my teeth cleaned.
- adj.* of or relating to teeth
97. The old building was starting to _____ due to years of neglect and lack of maintenance.
- v.* to break or fall apart into small pieces or fragments, especially due to age, decay, or lack of support
98. Sweet _____ makes short days and nights.
- n.* any form of communication in speech or writing
99. It was _____ of him to drive home after drinking so much alcohol.
- adj.* not showing a proper sense of responsibility; not reliable
100. _____ music has gained different followers from existing music.
- adj.* belonging to the same or present time
101. The _____ of the company was always to put the customer first.
- n.* a formal pronouncement or authoritative statement; a saying or maxim that is considered to be true or wise
102. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.
- n.* the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different

ANSWERS: 95. optometrist, 96. dental, 97. crumble, 98. discourse, 99. irresponsible, 100. Contemporary, 101. dictum, 102. inequality

103. He put the _____ on the horse before going for a ride.

n. a seat for a rider on the back of a horse or other animal; (verb) to burden someone with responsibility or task

104. The investment fund offered _____ for a company on the brink of bankruptcy.

n. the process of providing funds for running a business, activity, or project; the money for a business, activity, or project

105. The singer was in the _____ as she performed her hit song.

n. a beam of light used to illuminate a particular area or person

106. This bridge is the third largest _____ bridge in the world.

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

107. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.

adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times

108. The treatments were done but, _____ were unsuccessful.

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

109. The _____ government announced new regulations to protect the environment.

adj. relating to a central government or national authority; refers to government policies, laws, or programs that are implemented at a national level rather than a state or local level

110. The club _____ does not have absolute power.

n. the leader of a republic, for example, the US; the person in charge of the organization such as a company, university, club, etc.

ANSWERS: 103. saddle, 104. financing, 105. spotlight, 106. steel, 107. modern, 108. unfortunately, 109. federal, 110. president

111. Who answers _____ knows little.

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

112. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.

adj. correct and exact in all details

113. The investigation _____ several government agencies and is expected to take several months.

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

114. Aging societies tend to require huge costs for _____ maintenance.

n. the basic systems, services, or features that are necessary for an organization or country, such as transport and power supplies

115. Despite facing financial difficulties, the small business managed to stay _____ thanks to its loyal customers.

adj. floating or staying on the surface of a liquid or body of water; having enough money or resources to stay out of debt or financial trouble

116. She received a full _____ to study abroad.

n. a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements

117. He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian _____ fund.

n. a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

118. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.

adj. exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual

ANSWERS: 111. suddenly, 112. accurate, 113. involves, 114. infrastructure, 115. afloat, 116. scholarship, 117. relief, 118. extraordinary

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

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

120. The _____ model rewards employees based on their productivity and results.

adj. of or relating to a compensation system in which an individual's pay or bonuses are based on their performance or success at achieving certain goals or metrics rather than a fixed salary or hourly wage

121. His _____ to the charity was a generous donation of money.

n. the act of giving something, especially money, to a particular cause or organization; a voluntary gift as of money or service or ideas made to some worthwhile cause

122. Some athletes take anabolic steroids to increase muscle size _____.

adv. for a limited time only or not permanently

ANSWERS: 119. responsible, 120. pay-for-performance, 121. contribution, 122. temporarily