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Session 1: Word List

empire

n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
synonym: imperium, conglomerate, kingdom

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya
He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

sacred

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

synonym: holy, inviolable, hallowed

(1) **sacred** music, (2) the halo of a **sacred** image
This space is a private office **sacred** to the President

covet

v. to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for

synonym: desire, yearn, crave

(1) **covet** wealth, (2) **covet** fame
She couldn't help but **covet** her friend's designer handbag.

buffalo

n. a large wild ox with shaggy hair found in Asia and North America

synonym: bison, ox, beefalo

(1) **buffalo** horn, (2) **buffalo** steak

The **buffalo** roam freely in the plains of North America.

hunt

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

synonym: chase, pursuit, quest

(1) **hunt** a job, (2) **hunt** after knowledge

Hounds **hunt** their prey by using their keen scent.

plain

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

synonym: basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

locate

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

synonym: discover, find, place

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

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

dominant

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

synonym: chief, predominant, prevailing

(1) achieve a **dominant** share, (2) **dominant** force

Her company soon won a **dominant** market share.

vie

v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise

synonym: compete, contend, strive

(1) **vie** for a trophy, (2) **vie** for attention

They both **vied** for the top spot in the company.

woodland

n. land covered with trees and underbrush; a forest

synonym: forest, grove, copse

(1) **woodland** creatures, (2) broad-leafed **woodland**

We walked through the **woodland** and saw many different types of plants and animals.

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.

council

n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

synonym: board, committee, assembly

(1) other **council** members, (2) city **council** election

The city **council** voted to approve the new development project.

alliance

n. a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.

synonym: pact, accord, coalition

(1) form **alliance**, (2) major airline **alliances**

To sell the product, the companies have formed an **alliance**.

wetland

adj. land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs

synonym: bog, marsh, swamp

(1) **wetland** conservation, (2) **wetland** ecosystem

The **wetland** area was home to many different species of birds.

valley

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

synonym: canyon, gorge, dale

(1) **valley** bottom, (2) basin-shaped **valley**

The **valley** had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

colonize

v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

synonym: settle, occupy, inhabit

(1) **colonize** planets, (2) **colonize** for cultivation

European powers **colonized** much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.

destabilize

v. to cause something to become less stable or secure

synonym: unsettle, disrupt, upset

(1) **destabilize** the market, (2) **destabilize** a good relationship

The political crisis **destabilized** the country and caused widespread turmoil.

tribe

n. a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

synonym: family, clan, kinsfolk

(1) aboriginal **tribe**, (2) mountain **tribe**

The **tribe** had distinctly defined gender roles.

profit

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

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

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

This business yields little **profit**.

fur

n. the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick

synonym: hair, coat, pelt

(1) an artificial **fur**, (2) **fur** coat

The **fur** of the animal was thick and soft to the touch.

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.

fertile

adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops;
intellectually productive

synonym : fruitful, productive, rich

(1) **fertile** ground, (2) **fertile** market

Herbs require **fertile** soil in a sunny, sheltered location.

abundant

adj. present in great quantity

synonym : ample, plentiful, generative

(1) live an **abundant** life, (2) an **abundant** supply of water

The country has **abundant** oil and natural gas resources.

homeland

n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs

synonym : motherland, native country, fatherland

(1) beloved **homeland**, (2) **homeland** pride

I miss my **homeland** and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym : directly, instantly, promptly

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

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

claim

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

synonym : assert, declare, maintain

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

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

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.

warrior

n. a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past

synonym: fighter, soldier, combatant

(1) armored **warrior**, (2) **warrior** spirit

The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary **warrior**.

horseback

n. the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse

synonym: equestrian, horse riding, mounted

(1) **horseback** trek, (2) **horseback** adventure

We went on a scenic trail ride on **horseback** through the mountains.

conquer

v. to bring under control by force or authority

synonym: defeat, overpower, subdue

(1) **conquer** fatal disease, (2) **conquer** the world

You must **conquer** your anxiety about driving.

tribute

n. a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity

synonym: honor, accolade, recognition

(1) pay **tribute**, (2) **tribute** album

The statue was built as a **tribute** to the soldiers who died in the war.

maize

n. a cereal grain that is native to the Americas and cultivated in wide varieties for its large, yellow, edible seed and as a feed for livestock

synonym: corn

(1) **maize** meal, (2) genetically altered **maize**

The farmers grew a large **maize** crop this year and expected a good harvest.

squash

v. to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully

synonym: smash, crush, compress

(1) **squash** a package, (2) **squash** a rebellion

I like to **squash** my grapes when making homemade wine.

span

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

synonym: interval, period, length

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

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

lucrative

adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding

synonym: profitable, moneymaking, remunerative

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

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

toll

n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

synonym: fee, cost, expense

(1) a **toll** road, (2) **toll** a bell at his death

There is no **toll** car park nearby.

spectacle

n. something or someone seen, especially a notable or unusual sight; an optical device consisting of a frame that houses a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision

synonym: marvel, sensation, phenomenon

(1) pretty **spectacle**, (2) **spectacle** lens

She could not help watching the sad **spectacle**.

chief

adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

synonym: essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year
Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

refuse

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
synonym: turn down, deny, decline

(1) **refuse** a request, (2) **refuse** the company
My initial reaction was to **refuse**.

hefty

adj. large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance
synonym: weighty, substantial, sizeable

(1) **hefty** price, (2) **hefty** breakfast
The **hefty** box of books was too heavy to lift on my own.

spite

n. feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty
synonym: malice, ill will, vindictiveness

(1) bear **spite** against him, (2) die in **spite** of intensive care
He did it out of **spite**, to annoy me.

rocky

adj. full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock
synonym: stony, boulder-strewn, rough

(1) **rocky** terrain, (2) **rocky** relationship
The **rocky** road made it difficult to drive on.

expedition

n. a journey or voyage for a specific purpose
synonym: journey, trip, voyage

(1) **expedition** team, (2) a polar **expedition**
The **expedition** to the Amazon jungle was both exciting and challenging.

statistics

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

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

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

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.

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.

ammunition

n. supplies, such as bullets or shells, used by armed forces

synonym: bullets, cartridges, shells

(1) **ammunition** storage, (2) **ammunition** depot

The soldiers were equipped with ample **ammunition** for the battle.

smallpox

n. a highly contagious viral disease characterized by fever, weakness, spots on the skin, and often death

synonym: variola

(1) **smallpox** epidemic, (2) **smallpox** vaccine

An outbreak of **smallpox** occurred in the 1920s.

vaccine

n. a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)

synonym: vaccinum

(1) development of **vaccines**, (2) an oral **vaccine**

The mRNA **vaccine** was approved in less than a year because it did not contain the fragments of the target virus.

epidemic

n. the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time

synonym: outbreak, contagion, plague

(1) a worldwide **epidemic**, (2) health **epidemic**

The disease is now reaching **epidemic** proportions in our country.

ravage

v. to cause damage to something badly

synonym: devastate, ruin, destroy

(1) **ravage** a country, (2) **ravage** the brain

A large fire **ravaged** the forest.

native

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

synonym: endemic, domestic, aboriginal

(1) **native** to Africa, (2) **native** language

The vegetation here is almost wholly **native**.

acquire

v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself

synonym: attain, earn, catch

(1) **acquire** knowledge, (2) **acquire** a new company

Children **acquire** language at a fantastic rate.

cede

v. to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority

synonym: surrender, relinquish, yield

(1) **cede** power, (2) **cede** custody of the kids

The landowner agreed to **cede** part of his property to the government for the public good.

bulk

n. the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something

synonym: majority, largeness, amount

(1) buy in **bulk**, (2) **bulk** data transfer

I received a parcel of great **bulk**.

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.

concentration

n. the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

synonym: attention, engagement, assiduity

(1) **concentration** of armaments, (2) his research area of **concentration**

This exam requires excellent **concentration** to pass.

territory

n. an area under the control of a ruler or state

synonym: domain, region, realm

(1) acquire **territory**, (2) **territory** in charge

They incorporated the conquered **territory** into their nation.

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.

formidable

adj. causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

synonym: daunting, intimidating, fearful

(1) **formidable** challenge, (2) **formidable** competitor

The mountain range was a **formidable** obstacle for the hikers.

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.

attempt

n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult

synonym: endeavor, effort, try

(1) the **attempt** to rescue the hostages, (2) a reckless **attempt**

The third **attempt** was far more successful.

appease

v. to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety

synonym: pacify, calm, soothe

(1) **appease** hunger, (2) **appease** her fears

The manager tried to **appease** the angry customer by offering them a refund.

steep

adj. having a sharp inclination or slope

synonym: sheer, precipitous, abrupt

(1) a **steep** staircase, (2) **steep** discount

The **steep** cliff made it difficult to climb.

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.

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.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

pursue

v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them

synonym: seek, hunt, chase

(1) **pursue** a goal, (2) **pursue** freedoms

She intends to **pursue** a political career.

strategize

v. to plan or devise a detailed plan, especially for achieving success in situations

synonym: plan, devise, scheme

(1) **strategize** for success, (2) **strategize** about how to win

The company **strategized** about how to increase sales.

coordinate

v. to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship;
(adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree

synonym: organize, harmonize, ordinate

(1) **coordinate** a special project, (2) a **coordinate** clause

We want to **coordinate** a schedule for the investigation.

complexity

n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory

The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

diplomat

n. a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

synonym: envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) allied **diplomat**, (2) expel a **diplomat**

The senior **diplomat** worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

operate

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

synonym: work, use, employ

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

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

lasting

adj. durable and enduring over time; continuing or permanent in effect

synonym: enduring, permanent, persistent

(1) **lasting** impression, (2) **lasting** impact

Their marriage was built on a foundation of love and trust, which resulted in a **lasting** relationship that spanned over fifty years.

spiritual

adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

synonym: otherworldly, ethereal, transcendental

(1) constant **spiritual** striving, (2) **spiritual** leader

The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more **spiritual** connection with the universe.

ceremony

n. a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn

synonym: ritual, rite, observance

(1) **ceremony** hall, (2) **ceremony** location

The wedding **ceremony** was a beautiful and emotional event.

reaffirm

v. to state something again strongly to emphasize that it is still true

synonym: declare, acknowledge, advocate

(1) **reaffirm** a relationship, (2) **reaffirm** the basic points

The board member of the pharmaceutical company

reaffirmed the commitment to public health.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

(1) **communal** swimming pool, (2) **communal** combination
of funds

Communal elections were held in several European
countries.

spirit

n. the part of a person which is the seat of their mind,
feelings, and character rather than their physical body;
the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the
effect that it has on people

synonym: soul, attitude, enthusiasm

(1) **spirit** and the letter of the law, (2) an indomitable **spirit**

Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great **spirit**.

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.

horde

n. a large group of people or animals, especially one that is
chaotic or uncontrolled

synonym: crowd, swarm, mass

(1) **horde** of attackers, (2) the **horde** of shoppers

The **horde** of zombies was approaching quickly.

settler

n. a person who moved with a group of others to live in a
different country or area

synonym: frontiersperson, immigrant, emigrant

(1) new **settlers**, (2) **settlers** on some foreign shore

A large proportion of railway workers in **settler** colonies were white.

encroach

v. to advance beyond the usual or acceptable limit gradually and often without being noticed; to infringe upon someone's territory, rights, privacy, etc.

synonym: invade, impinge, infringe

(1) **encroach** on the realm, (2) **encroach** on the habitat of the animal

You have no right to **encroach** on my leisure time.

disturb

v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

synonym: agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

herd

n. a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

synonym: flock, brood, horde

(1) **herd** of cattle, (2) the common **herd**

He was riding **herd** on the sheep during the day.

interpret

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

synonym: decode, decipher, analyze

(1) **interpret** a graph, (2) **interpret** the question

Different people might **interpret** this news differently.

migration

n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change

synonym: exodus

(1) the **migration** of birds, (2) overseas **migration**

There was a **migration** of impoverished farmers into the

towns.

intent

n. a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

synonym: purpose, aim, goal

(1) the **intent** of a question, (2) **intent** gaze

The designer's **intent** was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

retaliation

n. the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act

synonym: retribution, revenge, vengeance

(1) **retaliation** tactics, (2) **retaliation** against discrimination

The company faced heavy **retaliation** from its competitors after releasing a controversial product.

wagon

n. a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley

synonym: cart, buggy, chariot

(1) **wagon** wheel, (2) station **wagon**

The circus **wagon** was brightly painted with pictures of the animals inside.

conflict

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

synonym: clash, discord, competition

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

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

negotiate

v. to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

synonym: discuss, mediate, bargain

(1) **negotiate** a settlement, (2) **negotiate** the price of the house

We are always happy to **negotiate** a discount.

bull

n. a male bovine animal; an investor who has a positive outlook on the market or a particular investment and buys with the expectation of prices increasing

synonym: bovine, cattle, bruiser

(1) **bull** market, (2) **bull** fighter

The farmer raised a **bull** on his ranch for breeding purposes.

crazy

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

synonym: insane, absurd, bizarre

(1) **crazy** about cars and racing, (2) a **crazy** scheme

The rain and thunder are **crazy** today.

mobilize

v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

synonym: activate, rally, marshal

(1) **mobilize** cooperation, (2) **mobilize** a stiff joint

The military **mobilized** troops to the border.

arrival

n. the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective

synonym: reaching, appearance, coming

(1) **arrival** and departure gate, (2) **arrival** at a conclusion

Weather forecasters are predicting the **arrival** of a heatwave.

prospector

n. a person who searches for minerals such as gold or silver by systematically digging, panning, or prospecting

synonym: miner, digger, explorer

(1) **prospector's** shovel, (2) gold **prospector**

The **prospector's** camp was in a remote area of the wilderness.

occupy

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

(1) **occupy** his time, (2) **occupy** a position

The young prince will soon **occupy** the throne.

straw

n. dry stalks of cereal plants used as fodder, fuel, basket, etc.

synonym: hay, stalk, reed

(1) **straw** basket, (2) rice **straw**

The **straw** hat protected her face from the sun while she worked in the fields.

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**.

decisive

adj. making a clear and definite decision or choice; settling an issue

synonym: final, conclusive, unambiguous

(1) a **decisive** ballot, (2) **decisive** action

The **decisive** victory in the war ended years of conflict.

defeat

v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

synonym: conquer, beat, overpower

(1) **defeat** a global power, (2) **defeat** body odor

Despite his best efforts, he was unable to **defeat** the enemy.

victory

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

synonym: win, triumph, success

(1) **victory** in the law court, (2) **victory** over terrorism

We are optimistic about our final **victory**.

graver

- n.* a tool used for engraving or carving hard materials such as stone or metal; a person who carves or engraves; (adjective) more serious or important than something else

synonym: burin, chisel, engraving tool

- (1) **graver** marker, (2) **graver** mistake

The blacksmith used a **graver** to inscribe his name on the forged iron gate.

threat

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

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

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

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

railroad

- n.* metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization

synonym: railway, track, railway system

- (1) coast-to-coast **railroad**, (2) **railroad** industry

The town was founded in the 19th century as a stop on the **railroad**, and it grew rapidly as a result.

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.

decimate

- v.* to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number

synonym: devastate, destroy, annihilate

- (1) **decimate** population, (2) **decimate** economy

The hurricane **decimated** the small town, leaving behind destruction and devastation.

starvation

n. a severe lack of food that leads to malnutrition and, ultimately, death

synonym: hunger, malnutrition, emaciation

(1) die of **starvation**, (2) **starvation** wages

The drought led to widespread **starvation** in the region.

survive

v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period

synonym: endure, persist, stay

(1) **survive** a blizzard, (2) **survive** a plane crash

These birds can only **survive** in temperate climates.

murder

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

synonym: slaying, killing

(1) **murder** in the second degree, (2) attempted **murder**

This intriguing **murder** mystery remains unsolved.

dismantle

v. to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment

synonym: take apart, demolish, take down

(1) **dismantle** a machine, (2) **dismantle** a system

The old building had to be **dismantled** because it was structurally unsound.

prohibit

v. to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law

synonym: ban, forbid, refuse

(1) **prohibit** destructive activities, (2) **prohibit** the use of phone

Congress passed a law to **prohibit** the disposal of nuclear waste.

protest

n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

synonym:

objection, disapproval, challenge

(1) hold a **protest**, (2) a silent **protest**

He left the party in **protest** at its radical political stance.

movement

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

synonym: motion, progression, action

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

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

resistance

n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

synonym: opposition, antagonism, defiance

(1) **resistance** movement, (2) **resistance** to insulin

The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much **resistance** from the public.

massacre

n. the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals

synonym: slaughter, bloodbath, butchery

(1) **massacre** in the village, (2) animal **massacre**

The **massacre** of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.

creek

n. a small, narrow stream or waterway; a narrow, winding passage between cliffs or hills

synonym: brook, stream, rivulet

(1) **creek** bed, (2) a dry **creek**

The sound of the babbling **creek** provided a soothing backdrop for campers and outdoor enthusiasts.

pipeline

n. a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances

synonym: channel, line

(1) a data **pipeline**, (2) **pipeline** facilities

Rebels sabotaged the main **pipeline** supplying oil.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. re____e the right | <i>v.</i> to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance |
| 2. a de____ve ballot | <i>adj.</i> making a clear and definite decision or choice; settling an issue |
| 3. h__t after knowledge | <i>v.</i> to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit |
| 4. en____ch on the habitat of the animal | <i>v.</i> to advance beyond the usual or acceptable limit gradually and often without being noticed; to infringe upon someone's territory, rights, privacy, etc. |
| 5. ra____e a country | <i>v.</i> to cause damage to something badly |
| 6. sq____h a rebellion | <i>v.</i> to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully |
| 7. oc____y his time | <i>v.</i> to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time |
| 8. co____r the world | <i>v.</i> to bring under control by force or authority |
| 9. mo____ze cooperation | <i>v.</i> to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose |
| 10. acquire te____ry | <i>n.</i> an area under the control of a ruler or state |
| 11. gr____r mistake | <i>n.</i> a tool used for engraving or carving hard materials such as stone or metal; a person who carves or engraves; (adjective) more serious or important than something else |

ANSWERS: 1. reserve, 2. decisive, 3. hunt, 4. encroach, 5. ravage, 6. squash, 7. occupy, 8. conquer, 9. mobilize, 10. territory, 11. graver

12. live an ab____nt life	<i>adj.</i> present in great quantity
13. re____rm the basic points	<i>v.</i> to state something again strongly to emphasize that it is still true
14. su____e a plane crash	<i>v.</i> to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
15. pr____it destructive activities	<i>v.</i> to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law
16. co____r fatal disease	<i>v.</i> to bring under control by force or authority
17. co____e against a friend	<i>v.</i> to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
18. de____te population	<i>v.</i> to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number
19. a reckless at____t	<i>n.</i> an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
20. in____t gaze	<i>n.</i> a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something
21. ex____d agricultural output	<i>v.</i> to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
22. for____le competitor	<i>adj.</i> causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

ANSWERS: 12. abundant, 13. reaffirm, 14. survive, 15. prohibit, 16. conquer, 17. compete, 18. decimate, 19. attempt, 20. intent, 21. expand, 22. formidable

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| 23. constant sp_____al striving | <i>adj.</i> relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things |
| 24. pay tr_____e | <i>n.</i> a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity |
| 25. bu_____o steak | <i>n.</i> a large wild ox with shaggy hair found in Asia and North America |
| 26. major airline al_____ces | <i>n.</i> a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations. |
| 27. ac_____e knowledge | <i>v.</i> to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself |
| 28. bear sp__e against him | <i>n.</i> feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty |
| 29. pr_____it the use of phone | <i>v.</i> to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law |
| 30. fe_____e market | <i>adj.</i> capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive |
| 31. the ho__e of shoppers | <i>n.</i> a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled |
| 32. na___n-state | <i>n.</i> a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture |

ANSWERS: 23. spiritual, 24. tribute, 25. buffalo, 26. alliance, 27. acquire, 28. spite, 29. prohibit, 30. fertile, 31. horde, 32. nation

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| 33. cr__y about cars and racing | <i>adj.</i> stupid or not sensible; very angry |
| 34. a t__l road | <i>n.</i> money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly |
| 35. animal ma____re | <i>n.</i> the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals |
| 36. he__y price | <i>adj.</i> large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance |
| 37. te_____ry in charge | <i>n.</i> an area under the control of a ruler or state |
| 38. ce_____ny location | <i>n.</i> a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn |
| 39. co_____ze for cultivation | <i>v.</i> to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers |
| 40. ch__f events of the year | <i>adj.</i> most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge |
| 41. rice st__w | <i>n.</i> dry stalks of cereal plants used as fodder, fuel, basket, etc. |
| 42. af____d a high travel cost | <i>v.</i> to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something |
| 43. ret_____on tactics | <i>n.</i> the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act |

ANSWERS: 33. crazy, 34. toll, 35. massacre, 36. hefty, 37. territory, 38. ceremony, 39. colonize, 40. chief, 41. straw, 42. afford, 43. retaliation

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| 44. coo_____te a special project | <i>v.</i> | to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree |
| 45. wo_____nd creatures | <i>n.</i> | land covered with trees and underbrush; a forest |
| 46. res_____ce movement | <i>n.</i> | the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something |
| 47. ap_____e hunger | <i>v.</i> | to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety |
| 48. gov_____nt bureaucracy | <i>n.</i> | the group of people with authority to control a country or state |
| 49. environmental th____t | <i>n.</i> | a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation |
| 50. gold pro_____or | <i>n.</i> | a person who searches for minerals such as gold or silver by systematically digging, panning, or prospecting |
| 51. overseas mi_____on | <i>n.</i> | the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change |
| 52. de____t body odor | <i>v.</i> | to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt |

ANSWERS: 44. coordinate, 45. woodland, 46. resistance, 47. appease, 48. government, 49. threat, 50. prospector, 51. migration, 52. defeat

53. sta_____on wages	<i>n.</i> a severe lack of food that leads to malnutrition and, ultimately, death
54. ar_____l and departure gate	<i>n.</i> the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
55. bu_____o horn	<i>n.</i> a large wild ox with shaggy hair found in Asia and North America
56. pl___n answer	<i>adj.</i> without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
57. wa_____r spirit	<i>n.</i> a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
58. armored wa_____r	<i>n.</i> a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
59. ret_____on against discrimination	<i>n.</i> the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act
60. c___e custody of the kids	<i>v.</i> to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
61. sta_____cs for cancer	<i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
62. b___l fighter	<i>n.</i> a male bovine animal; an investor who has a positive outlook on the market or a particular investment and buys with the expectation of prices increasing

ANSWERS: 53. starvation, 54. arrival, 55. buffalo, 56. plain, 57. warrior, 58. warrior, 59. retaliation, 60. cede, 61. statistics, 62. bull

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| 63. other co_____l members | <i>n.</i> a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place |
| 64. ac_____e a new company | <i>v.</i> to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself |
| 65. st__w basket | <i>n.</i> dry stalks of cereal plants used as fodder, fuel, basket, etc. |
| 66. his research area of
con_____ion | <i>n.</i> the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else. |
| 67. in_____et the question | <i>v.</i> to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc. |
| 68. sq____h a package | <i>v.</i> to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully |
| 69. pi_____ne facilities | <i>n.</i> a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances |
| 70. sm_____ox vaccine | <i>n.</i> a highly contagious viral disease characterized by fever, weakness, spots on the skin, and often death |
| 71. asset on the company's ba_____e
sheet | <i>n.</i> a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away |
| 72. city co_____l election | <i>n.</i> a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place |

ANSWERS: 63. council, 64. acquire, 65. straw, 66. concentration, 67. interpret, 68. squash, 69. pipeline, 70. smallpox, 71. balance, 72. council

73. sp_____al leader	<i>adj.</i> relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things
74. for_____le challenge	<i>adj.</i> causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration
75. a polar exp_____on	<i>n.</i> a journey or voyage for a specific purpose
76. ar_____l at a conclusion	<i>n.</i> the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
77. the ba_____e of power	<i>n.</i> a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
78. gr____r marker	<i>n.</i> a tool used for engraving or carving hard materials such as stone or metal; a person who carves or engraves; (adjective) more serious or important than something else
79. re____e the company	<i>v.</i> to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
80. lu_____ve deal	<i>adj.</i> producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
81. make a pr____t	<i>n.</i> money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
82. development of va_____es	<i>n.</i> a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)

ANSWERS: 73. spiritual, 74. formidable, 75. expedition, 76. arrival, 77. balance, 78. graver, 79. refuse, 80. lucrative, 81. profit, 82. vaccine

83. amm_____on depot	<i>n.</i> supplies, such as bullets or shells, used by armed forces
84. a silent pr_____t	<i>n.</i> a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
85. mu____r in the second degree	<i>n.</i> the crime of killing somebody intentionally
86. lu_____ve market	<i>adj.</i> producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding
87. di_____b the peace	<i>v.</i> to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
88. ho_____nd pride	<i>n.</i> a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
89. a circular mo_____nt	<i>n.</i> a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
90. ra_____ad industry	<i>n.</i> metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization
91. a st__p staircase	<i>adj.</i> having a sharp inclination or slope
92. ho_____ck adventure	<i>n.</i> the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse
93. mo_____nt of troops	<i>n.</i> a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively

ANSWERS: 83. ammunition, 84. protest, 85. murder, 86. lucrative, 87. disturb, 88. homeland, 89. movement, 90. railroad, 91. steep, 92. horseback, 93. movement

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| 94. co____al swimming pool | <i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use |
| 95. form al____ce | <i>n.</i> a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations. |
| 96. pu____e a goal | <i>v.</i> to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them |
| 97. di____le a system | <i>v.</i> to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment |
| 98. ne____te a settlement | <i>v.</i> to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement |
| 99. ce____ny hall | <i>n.</i> a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn |
| 100. la____g impression | <i>adj.</i> durable and enduring over time; continuing or permanent in effect |
| 101. cr__k bed | <i>n.</i> a small, narrow stream or waterway; a narrow, winding passage between cliffs or hills |
| 102. wa__n wheel | <i>n.</i> a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley |
| 103. mountain tr__e | <i>n.</i> a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities |

ANSWERS: 94. communal, 95. alliance, 96. pursue, 97. dismantle, 98. negotiate, 99. ceremony, 100. lasting, 101. creek, 102. wagon, 103. tribe

104. ap____e her fears	<i>v.</i> to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
105. ex____e account	<i>n.</i> the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
106. ro__y terrain	<i>adj.</i> full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock
107. aboriginal tr__e	<i>n.</i> a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
108. vi____y in the law court	<i>n.</i> success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
109. a coo_____te clause	<i>v.</i> to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree
110. delta pl__n	<i>adj.</i> without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
111. co__t fame	<i>v.</i> to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
112. an op_____ne remark	<i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 104. appease, 105. expense, 106. rocky, 107. tribe, 108. victory, 109. coordinate, 110. plain, 111. covet, 112. opportune

113. des_____ze the market	<i>v.</i> to cause something to become less stable or secure
114. sp_____le lens	<i>n.</i> something or someone seen, especially a notable or unusual sight; an optical device consisting of a frame that houses a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision
115. re___e a request	<i>v.</i> to show that one is not willing to do or accept something
116. ex___d a lineup	<i>v.</i> to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
117. tr_____e album	<i>n.</i> a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
118. cognitive com_____ty	<i>n.</i> the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
119. h__t a job	<i>v.</i> to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit
120. in_____et a graph	<i>v.</i> to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.
121. st__p discount	<i>adj.</i> having a sharp inclination or slope
122. co_____ct a dam	<i>v.</i> to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
123. die of sta_____on	<i>n.</i> a severe lack of food that leads to malnutrition and, ultimately, death
124. false cl__m	<i>v.</i> to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true

ANSWERS: 113. destabilize, 114. spectacle, 115. refuse, 116. expand, 117. tribute, 118. complexity, 119. hunt, 120. interpret, 121. steep, 122. construct, 123. starvation, 124. claim

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| 125. decision-making pr____s | <i>n.</i> 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 |
| 126. com_____ty theory | <i>n.</i> the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand |
| 127. v__t desert | <i>adj.</i> enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity |
| 128. broad-leafed wo_____nd | <i>n.</i> land covered with trees and underbrush; a forest |
| 129. con_____ion of armaments | <i>n.</i> the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else. |
| 130. imm_____ly recall a product | <i>adv.</i> now or without delay |
| 131. pu___e freedoms | <i>v.</i> to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them |
| 132. beloved ho_____nd | <i>n.</i> a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs |
| 133. cl__m responsibility | <i>v.</i> to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true |

ANSWERS: 125. process, 126. complexity, 127. vast, 128. woodland, 129. concentration, 130. immediately, 131. pursue, 132. homeland, 133. claim

134. an artificial f_r	<i>n.</i> the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick
135. a worldwide ep____ic	<i>n.</i> the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
136. pretty sp____le	<i>n.</i> something or someone seen, especially a notable or unusual sight; an optical device consisting of a frame that houses a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision
137. res____ce to insulin	<i>n.</i> the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something
138. en____ch on the realm	<i>v.</i> to advance beyond the usual or acceptable limit gradually and often without being noticed; to infringe upon someone's territory, rights, privacy, etc.
139. gov____nt funding	<i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state
140. telescopic vi____n	<i>n.</i> the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
141. ro__y relationship	<i>adj.</i> full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock
142. di____b his sleep	<i>v.</i> to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
143. a cr__y scheme	<i>adj.</i> stupid or not sensible; very angry
144. ma____re in the village	<i>n.</i> the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals

ANSWERS: 134. fur, 135. epidemic, 136. spectacle, 137. resistance, 138. encroach, 139. government, 140. vision, 141. rocky, 142. disturb, 143. crazy, 144. massacre

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| 145. allied di____at | <i>n.</i> a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations |
| 146. the halo of a sa____d image | <i>adj.</i> connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god |
| 147. ch__f accountant | <i>adj.</i> most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge |
| 148. f_r coat | <i>n.</i> the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick |
| 149. the common h__d | <i>n.</i> a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock |
| 150. we____d conservation | <i>adj.</i> land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs |
| 151. the average life s__n | <i>n.</i> the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers |
| 152. station wa__n | <i>n.</i> a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley |
| 153. se____rs on some foreign shore | <i>n.</i> a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area |

ANSWERS: 145. diplomat, 146. sacred, 147. chief, 148. fur, 149. herd, 150. wetland, 151. span, 152. wagon, 153. settler

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| 154. na___e to Africa | <i>adj.</i> connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place |
| 155. mo_____ze a stiff joint | <i>v.</i> to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose |
| 156. ho_____ck trek | <i>n.</i> the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse |
| 157. the in___t of a question | <i>n.</i> a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something |
| 158. di_____le a machine | <i>v.</i> to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment |
| 159. str_____ze about how to win | <i>v.</i> to plan or devise a detailed plan, especially for achieving success in situations |
| 160. v_e for attention | <i>v.</i> to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise |
| 161. ma__e meal | <i>n.</i> a cereal grain that is native to the Americas and cultivated in wide varieties for its large, yellow, edible seed and as a feed for livestock |
| 162. the mi_____on of birds | <i>n.</i> the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change |

ANSWERS: 154. native, 155. mobilize, 156. horseback, 157. intent, 158. dismantle, 159. strategize, 160. vie, 161. maize, 162. migration

163. he__y breakfast	<i>adj.</i> large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance
164. va___y bottom	<i>n.</i> a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
165. vi____y over terrorism	<i>n.</i> success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
166. re_____rm a relationship	<i>v.</i> to state something again strongly to emphasize that it is still true
167. health ep_____ic	<i>n.</i> the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
168. co_____ct a 3D image	<i>v.</i> to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
169. an ab_____nt supply of water	<i>adj.</i> present in great quantity
170. v_e for a trophy	<i>v.</i> to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
171. op_____ne occasion	<i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
172. str_____ze for success	<i>v.</i> to plan or devise a detailed plan, especially for achieving success in situations
173. pro_____or's shovel	<i>n.</i> a person who searches for minerals such as gold or silver by systematically digging, panning, or prospecting

ANSWERS: 163. hefty, 164. valley, 165. victory, 166. reaffirm, 167. epidemic, 168. construct, 169. abundant, 170. vie, 171. opportune, 172. strategize, 173. prospector

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| 174. official sta_____cs | <i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data |
| 175. t__l a bell at his death | <i>n.</i> money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly |
| 176. economic th____t | <i>n.</i> a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation |
| 177. sp____t and the letter of the law | <i>n.</i> the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people |
| 178. expel a di____at | <i>n.</i> a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations |
| 179. lo____e a tumor | <i>v.</i> to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something |
| 180. write him an answer imm_____ly | <i>adv.</i> now or without delay |
| 181. a prodigious vi____n | <i>n.</i> the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see |

ANSWERS: 174. statistics, 175. toll, 176. threat, 177. spirit, 178. diplomat, 179. locate, 180. immediately, 181. vision

182. the s__n of a bird's wings	<i>n.</i> the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
183. exp_____on team	<i>n.</i> a journey or voyage for a specific purpose
184. hold a pr_____t	<i>n.</i> a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition
185. the at_____t to rescue the hostages	<i>n.</i> an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
186. gross pr_____t	<i>n.</i> money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
187. a dry cr__k	<i>n.</i> a small, narrow stream or waterway; a narrow, winding passage between cliffs or hills
188. the longstanding co_____ct	<i>n.</i> a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
189. sa___d music	<i>adj.</i> connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god
190. v__t majority	<i>adj.</i> enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
191. de_____ve action	<i>adj.</i> making a clear and definite decision or choice; settling an issue
192. do_____nt force	<i>adj.</i> more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

ANSWERS: 182. span, 183. expedition, 184. protest, 185. attempt, 186. profit, 187. creek, 188. conflict, 189. sacred, 190. vast, 191. decisive, 192. dominant

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| 193. b__l market | <i>n.</i> a male bovine animal; an investor who has a positive outlook on the market or a particular investment and buys with the expectation of prices increasing |
| 194. em___e building | <i>n.</i> a group of countries ruled by one leader or government |
| 195. new se____rs | <i>n.</i> a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area |
| 196. co____ze planets | <i>v.</i> to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers |
| 197. die in sp__e of intensive care | <i>n.</i> feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty |
| 198. an oral va____e | <i>n.</i> a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.) |
| 199. achieve a do____nt share | <i>adj.</i> more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type |
| 200. de____te economy | <i>v.</i> to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number |

ANSWERS: 193. bull, 194. empire, 195. settler, 196. colonize, 197. spite, 198. vaccine, 199. dominant, 200. decimate

201. genetically altered ma__e	<i>n.</i> a cereal grain that is native to the Americas and cultivated in wide varieties for its large, yellow, edible seed and as a feed for livestock
202. lo___e a missing pet	<i>v.</i> to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
203. the co____ct between good and evil	<i>n.</i> a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
204. a mi____ry leader	<i>adj.</i> relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
205. ra___e the brain	<i>v.</i> to cause damage to something badly
206. manually op____e a machine	<i>v.</i> to work in a particular way; to supervise something
207. a mi____ry operation	<i>adj.</i> relating to or characteristic of members of the armed forces; of or relating to war or warfare
208. amm_____on storage	<i>n.</i> supplies, such as bullets or shells, used by armed forces
209. enormous ex____es	<i>n.</i> the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
210. des_____ze a good relationship	<i>v.</i> to cause something to become less stable or secure
211. su____e a blizzard	<i>v.</i> to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
212. coast-to-coast ra____ad	<i>n.</i> metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization

ANSWERS: 201. maize, 202. locate, 203. conflict, 204. military, 205. ravage, 206. operate, 207. military, 208. ammunition, 209. expense, 210. destabilize, 211. survive, 212. railroad

213. co____e fiercely	<i>v.</i>	to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
214. af____d to buy a new car	<i>v.</i>	to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
215. pr____s improvement	<i>n.</i>	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
216. ne____te the price of the house	<i>v.</i>	to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement
217. co__t wealth	<i>v.</i>	to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for
218. a seafaring na____n	<i>n.</i>	a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
219. co____al combination of funds	<i>adj.</i>	belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
220. a data pi____ne	<i>n.</i>	a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances
221. na____e language	<i>adj.</i>	connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

ANSWERS: 213. compete, 214. afford, 215. process, 216. negotiate, 217. covet, 218. nation, 219. communal, 220. pipeline, 221. native

222. b__k data transfer	<i>n.</i> the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something
223. ho__e of attackers	<i>n.</i> a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled
224. an indomitable sp___t	<i>n.</i> the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
225. we____d ecosystem	<i>adj.</i> land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
226. h__d of cattle	<i>n.</i> a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock
227. op_____e 24 hours a day	<i>v.</i> to work in a particular way; to supervise something
228. la_____g impact	<i>adj.</i> durable and enduring over time; continuing or permanent in effect
229. fe_____e ground	<i>adj.</i> capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive
230. buy in b__k	<i>n.</i> the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something
231. basin-shaped va___y	<i>n.</i> a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river
232. em___e of the Maya	<i>n.</i> a group of countries ruled by one leader or government

ANSWERS: 222. bulk, 223. horde, 224. spirit, 225. wetland, 226. herd, 227. operate, 228. lasting, 229. fertile, 230. bulk, 231. valley, 232. empire

233. attempted mu___r	<i>n.</i> the crime of killing somebody intentionally
234. oc___y a position	<i>v.</i> to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
235. re_____e a concert ticket	<i>v.</i> to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
236. sm_____ox epidemic	<i>n.</i> a highly contagious viral disease characterized by fever, weakness, spots on the skin, and often death
237. c___e power	<i>v.</i> to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
238. de___t a global power	<i>v.</i> to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

ANSWERS: 233. murder, 234. occupy, 235. reserve, 236. smallpox, 237. cede, 238. defeat

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.
n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
2. She intends to _____ a political career.
v. to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
3. Children _____ language at a fantastic rate.
v. to buy or obtain something such as an asset, object, knowledge, etc., for oneself
4. The statue was built as a _____ to the soldiers who died in the war.
n. a payment, gift, or other forms of recognition made in honor of or submission to another person or entity
5. The old building had to be _____ because it was structurally unsound.
v. to take apart or demolish (a structure, machine, system, or the like); to strip off fittings or equipment
6. There was a _____ of impoverished farmers into the towns.
n. the movement of animals to a new location, frequently as the seasons change
7. European powers _____ much of the Americas in the 16th and 17th centuries.
v. to establish a colony in or on a specific place; to settle or occupy in large numbers

ANSWERS: 1. empire, 2. pursue, 3. acquire, 4. tribute, 5. dismantled, 6. migration, 7. colonized

8. The disease is now reaching _____ proportions in our country.
n. the widespread outbreak of a particular disease in a large number of people at the same time
9. An outbreak of _____ occurred in the 1920s.
n. a highly contagious viral disease characterized by fever, weakness, spots on the skin, and often death
10. The hurricane _____ the small town, leaving behind destruction and devastation.
v. to destroy a significant portion of something or reduce by ten percent; to cause extensive destruction or severe damage; to drastically reduce in size or number
11. This business yields little _____.
n. money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
12. The poem depicts the heroics of a legendary _____.
n. a person who engaged in or experienced warfare, especially in the past
13. Weather forecasters are predicting the _____ of a heatwave.
n. the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
14. The _____ of innocent civilians in the war zone was a tragic event.
n. the brutal and indiscriminate killing of a large number of people; a violent and bloody event that typically results in the death of many individuals
15. The vegetation here is almost wholly _____.
adj. connecting with or describing someone's birth country or place of birth, or someone born in a specific country or place

ANSWERS: 8. epidemic, 9. smallpox, 10. decimated, 11. profit, 12. warrior, 13. arrival, 14. massacre, 15. native

16. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

17. The rain and thunder are _____ today.

adj. stupid or not sensible; very angry

18. Her company soon won a _____ market share.

adj. more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type

19. The mountain range was a _____ obstacle for the hikers.

adj. causing fear, apprehension, or awe; difficult to deal with or overcome; capable of inspiring respect or admiration

20. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

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

21. Different people might _____ this news differently.

v. to explain or assign the meaning of information, actions, etc.

22. The farmers grew a large _____ crop this year and expected a good harvest.

n. a cereal grain that is native to the Americas and cultivated in wide varieties for its large, yellow, edible seed and as a feed for livestock

23. The mRNA _____ was approved in less than a year because it did not contain the fragments of the target virus.

n. a substance that is put into the body and protects them from disease by causing them to produce antibodies (= proteins that attack harmful bacteria, viruses, etc.)

ANSWERS: 16. vast, 17. crazy, 18. dominant, 19. formidable, 20. locate, 21. interpret, 22. maize, 23. vaccine

24. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.

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

25. 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

26. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

27. The _____ had distinctly defined gender roles.

- n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities

28. She could not help watching the sad _____.

- n.* something or someone seen, especially a notable or unusual sight; an optical device consisting of a frame that houses a pair of lenses for correcting defective vision

29. Despite their tragic loss, the family is showing great _____.

- n.* the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

30. The _____ of zombies was approaching quickly.

- n.* a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled

ANSWERS: 24. compete, 25. balance, 26. opportune, 27. tribe, 28. spectacle, 29. spirit, 30. horde

31. The ____ of the animal was thick and soft to the touch.

n. the hairy coat of a mammal, especially when fine, soft, and thick

32. A large proportion of railway workers in _____ colonies were white.

n. a person who moved with a group of others to live in a different country or area

33. We are always happy to _____ a discount.

v. to have formal discussions with someone to reach an agreement

34. The _____ had received a mild snowfall the previous week.

n. a long depression on the surface of the land, which typically contains a river

35. The meditation class was focused on finding inner peace and cultivating a more _____ connection with the universe.

adj. relating to or affecting the human spirit or soul as opposed to material or physical things

36. The senior _____ worked tirelessly to negotiate a peace treaty between the two countries.

n. a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations

37. Congress passed a law to _____ the disposal of nuclear waste.

v. to officially stop something from being done or used, especially by enforcing the law

38. We went on a scenic trail ride on _____ through the mountains.

n. the back of a horse; the act of riding on a horse

ANSWERS: 31. fur, 32. settler, 33. negotiate, 34. valley, 35. spiritual, 36. diplomat, 37. prohibit, 38. horseback

39. He _____ hypothesizes that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
40. I miss my _____ and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.
n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
41. The drought led to widespread _____ in the region.
n. a severe lack of food that leads to malnutrition and, ultimately, death
42. The third _____ was far more successful.
n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
43. We want to _____ a schedule for the investigation.
v. to bring the different parts of the activity and the people into an organized, ordered, or efficient relationship; (adjective) of equal importance, rank, or degree
44. The soldiers were equipped with ample _____ for the battle.
n. supplies, such as bullets or shells, used by armed forces
45. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.
n. the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
46. To sell the product, the companies have formed an _____.
n. a partnership or association formed for mutual benefit, particularly between nations or organizations.

ANSWERS: 39. constructs, 40. homeland, 41. starvation, 42. attempt, 43. coordinate, 44. ammunition, 45. statistics, 46. alliance

47. The bill to increase the consumption tax had passed despite much _____ from the public.

n. the act of defending oneself from an aggressor or refusing to accept something

48. Their marriage was built on a foundation of love and trust, which resulted in a _____ relationship that spanned over fifty years.

adj. durable and enduring over time; continuing or permanent in effect

49. Herbs require _____ soil in a sunny, sheltered location.

adj. capable of producing abundant vegetation or crops; intellectually productive

50. My initial reaction was to _____.

v. to show that one is not willing to do or accept something

51. You have no right to _____ on my leisure time.

v. to advance beyond the usual or acceptable limit gradually and often without being noticed; to infringe upon someone's territory, rights, privacy, etc.

52. This space is a private office _____ to the President

adj. connected with religion or religious purposes; worthy of respect or dedication because of a connection with a god

53. 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

54. He did it out of _____ to annoy me.

n. feelings of anger and resentment; (in spite of, also despite) a phrase that is used to indicate that something happened or exists even though there is a particular obstacle or difficulty

ANSWERS: 47. resistance, 48. lasting, 49. fertile, 50. refuse, 51. encroach, 52. sacred, 53. process, 54. spite,

55. This intriguing _____ mystery remains unsolved.

n. the crime of killing somebody intentionally

56. The _____ road made it difficult to drive on.

adj. full of or abounding in rocks; of, relating to, or made of rock

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

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

58. We are optimistic about our final _____.

n. success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

59. Rebels sabotaged the main _____ supplying oil.

n. a very long large tube that is usually underground and is used for carrying liquid or gas for long distances

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

adj. producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding

61. The _____ victory in the war ended years of conflict.

adj. making a clear and definite decision or choice; settling an issue

62. This exam requires excellent _____ to pass.

n. the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.

63. We walked through the _____ and saw many different types of plants and animals.

n. land covered with trees and underbrush; a forest

ANSWERS: 55. murder, 56. rocky, 57. span, 58. victory, 59. pipeline, 60. lucrative, 61. decisive, 62. concentration, 63. woodland

64. 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
65. 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
66. They both _____ for the top spot in the company.
v. to compete or contend for something, usually a prize, position, or advantage; to strive for superiority or mastery in one's field or area of expertise
67. I like to _____ my grapes when making homemade wine.
v. to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully
68. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
69. The _____ area was home to many different species of birds.
adj. land that is saturated with water, either permanently or seasonally, such as swamps, marshes, and bogs
70. The _____ hat protected her face from the sun while she worked in the fields.
n. dry stalks of cereal plants used as fodder, fuel, basket, etc.
71. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.
adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge

ANSWERS: 64. government, 65. nation, 66. vied, 67. squash, 68. threat, 69. wetland, 70. straw, 71. chief

72. The manager tried to _____ the angry customer by offering them a refund.
v. to pacify or soothe someone, usually by agreeing to their demands or requests; to calm someone's anger or anxiety
73. I received a parcel of great _____.
n. the quantity or size of something that is very large; the main part of something
74. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
75. The young prince will soon _____ the throne.
v. to consume all of someone's space, attention, or time
76. The farmer raised a _____ on his ranch for breeding purposes.
n. a male bovine animal; an investor who has a positive outlook on the market or a particular investment and buys with the expectation of prices increasing
77. Tourists frequently _____ the island's delicate natural balance.
v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
78. He cannot _____ a holiday.
v. to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
79. The blacksmith used a _____ to inscribe his name on the forged iron gate.
n. a tool used for engraving or carving hard materials such as stone or metal; a person who carves or engraves; (adjective) more serious or important than something else

ANSWERS: 72. appease, 73. bulk, 74. conflicts, 75. occupy, 76. bull, 77. disturb, 78. afford, 79. graver

80. 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

81. The _____ camp was in a remote area of the wilderness.

- n.* a person who searches for minerals such as gold or silver by systematically digging, panning, or prospecting

82. The company _____ about how to increase sales.

- v.* to plan or devise a detailed plan, especially for achieving success in situations

83. The political crisis _____ the country and caused widespread turmoil.

- v.* to cause something to become less stable or secure

84. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

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

85. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat _____.

- adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

86. The designer's _____ was to create a minimalist aesthetic for the interior of the building.

- n.* a strong determination or attention to do or achieve something; (adjective) having a strong determination to do or achieve something

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

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

ANSWERS: 80. reserve, 81. prospector's, 82. strategized, 83. destabilized, 84. expand, 85. plain, 86. intent, 87. claim

88. The _____ to the Amazon jungle was both exciting and challenging.

n. a journey or voyage for a specific purpose

89. The town was founded in the 19th century as a stop on the _____ and it grew rapidly as a result.

n. metal tracks laid with rails on which trains run; a system of tracks with the trains operated by an organization

90. The city _____ voted to approve the new development project.

n. a group of people who have been elected or appointed to make decisions or give advice on a particular subject or in a particular place

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

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

92. For this project to be successful, we must control _____ strictly.

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

93. A suspension order from the court is effective _____.

adv. now or without delay

94. The military _____ troops to the border.

v. to make something ready for action or use; to organize people or resources for a particular purpose

95. He was riding _____ on the sheep during the day.

n. a group of animals of the same type that live or are kept together as livestock

ANSWERS: 88. expedition, 89. railroad, 90. council, 91. movement, 92. expenses, 93. immediately, 94. mobilized, 95. herd

96. The landowner agreed to _____ part of his property to the government for the public good.
v. to give up, surrender, or transfer possession or control of something, especially territory, power, or authority
97. 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
98. The country has _____ oil and natural gas resources.
adj. present in great quantity
99. These birds can only _____ in temperate climates.
v. to live or exist despite a dangerous event or period
100. The wedding _____ was a beautiful and emotional event.
n. a formal event or ritual, often religious or solemn
101. The circus _____ was brightly painted with pictures of the animals inside.
n. a four-wheeled vehicle used for transporting goods or people, often pulled by horses, oxen, or other animals; a compartment or container used for storage or transportation, such as a shopping cart or trolley
102. A large fire _____ the forest.
v. to cause damage to something badly
103. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand

ANSWERS: 96. cede, 97. military, 98. abundant, 99. survive, 100. ceremony, 101. wagon, 102. ravaged, 103. complexity

104. The _____ box of books was too heavy to lift on my own.

adj. large, bulky, and heavy; impressively large, substantial, or powerful; large in amount, extent, or significance

105. They incorporated the conquered _____ into their nation.

n. an area under the control of a ruler or state

106. Hounds _____ their prey by using their keen scent.

v. to go after and try to catch wild animals to kill them for food, sport, or profit

107. There is no _____ car park nearby.

n. money that you have to pay to use a particular road, bridge, etc.; (verb) to ring slowly

108. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.

v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt

109. The company faced heavy _____ from its competitors after releasing a controversial product.

n. the act of seeking vengeance or revenge in response to a perceived wrong or harm suffered, usually to cause harm to the person or group responsible for the initial act

110. The sound of the babbling _____ provided a soothing backdrop for campers and outdoor enthusiasts.

n. a small, narrow stream or waterway; a narrow, winding passage between cliffs or hills

111. 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

ANSWERS: 104. hefty, 105. territory, 106. hunt, 107. toll, 108. defeat, 109. retaliation, 110. creek, 111. vision

112. The _____ cliff made it difficult to climb.

adj. having a sharp inclination or slope

113. He left the party in _____ at its radical political stance.

n. a strong expression of disagreement, disapproval, or opposition

114. You must _____ your anxiety about driving.

v. to bring under control by force or authority

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

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

116. The _____ roam freely in the plains of North America.

n. a large wild ox with shaggy hair found in Asia and North America

117. The board member of the pharmaceutical company _____ the commitment to public health.

v. to state something again strongly to emphasize that it is still true

118. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

119. She couldn't help but _____ her friend's designer handbag.

v. to strongly desire or crave something, particularly something that belongs to someone else; to have an excessive or envious desire for

ANSWERS: 112. steep, 113. protest, 114. conquer, 115. operate, 116. buffalo, 117. reaffirmed, 118. Communal, 119. covet