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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### scroll

*n.* a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them

*synonym*: manuscript, document, parchment

(1) roll up a **scroll**, (2) **scroll** through a document

The house owner loved the large hanging **scroll** in the guest room.

### midnight

*n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day

*synonym*: middle of the night, witching hour

(1) **midnight** snack, (2) **midnight** shift

I stayed up until **midnight** watching my favorite movie.

### doomscrolling

*n.* the act of compulsively scrolling through negative news and events on the internet, often leading to feelings of anxiety or despair

(1) can't stop **doomscrolling**, (2) **doomscrolling** habit

She was caught in a **doomscrolling** loop, scrolling through negative news for hours.

### endless

*adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

*synonym*: infinite, ceaseless, boundless

(1) **endless** possibilities, (2) **endless** hours

He looked out the window at the **endless** stream of people.

## binge

*n.* a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence

*synonym*: spree, overindulgence, splurge

(1) **binge** on social media, (2) alcohol **binge**

She stayed up all night **binge-watching** her favorite TV show.

## daze

*n.* the feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally; (verb) to confuse or stun someone with a sudden intense light or loud noise

*synonym*: stupor, confusion, (verb) stun

(1) walk around in a **daze**, (2) **daze** of sleep

He was in a **daze** from the sudden news and couldn't process it properly.

## swear

*v.* to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language

*synonym*: declare, assert, curse

(1) **swear** an oath, (2) **swear** a blue streak

I **swear** I didn't mean to break your vase.

## psychology

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

(1) **psychology** experiment, (2) **psychology** of crowd

She had a master's degree in **psychology**.

## motivation

*n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way

*synonym*: inspiration, incentive, reason

(1) understand his **motivation**, (2) **motivation** for a change

A significant amount of **motivation** is required to be a

teacher.

## depressed

*adj.* sad and without any hope

*synonym*: despondent, despairing, sad

(1) **depressed** feeling, (2) the market is **depressed**  
After his mother died, he got **depressed**.

## 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.

## eventually

*adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

*synonym*: finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed  
The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

## languish

*v.* (of a person, animal, or plant) to lose vigor, health, or flesh; to be forced to exist in an unpleasant or unwanted situation or place, often for a long time

*synonym*: flag, wane, wither

(1) **languish** for lack of funding, (2) **languish** under illness  
He continues to **languish** in prison.

## stagnation

*n.* the state or condition of not moving or making progress; lack of activity or development; a situation where economic or social conditions remain stable, but there is little growth or improvement

*synonym*: inactivity, idleness, sluggishness

(1) economic **stagnation**, (2) population **stagnation**  
The company's lack of innovation has led to **stagnation** and declining profits.

## ennui

*n.* a feeling of boredom, weariness, or dissatisfaction arising from a lack of interest or stimulation; a sense of

listlessness or apathy

*synonym*: boredom, tedium, listlessness

(1) boring **ennui**, (2) **ennui** during the long drive

I feel a sense of **ennui** because of the monotony of my daily routine.

## sociologist

*n.* a person who studies the institutions and development of human society

(1) religious **sociologist**, (2) French **sociologist**

**Sociologist** studies the changes in family structure due to modernization.

## immortalize

*v.* to prevent someone or something from being forgotten permanently

*synonym*: eternalize, perpetuate, memorialize

(1) **immortalize** a person in verse, (2) **immortalize** his name

This melody **immortalized** its composer.

## philosophy

*n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind

*synonym*: doctrine, attitude, creed

(1) **philosophy** of education, (2) western **philosophy**

Ethics is a branch of **philosophy**.

## muddle

*v.* to mix up or confuse something; to make a mess of something; to create disorder or chaos

*synonym*: confuse, jumble, mix up

(1) **muddle** the instructions, (2) **muddle** the situation

I accidentally **muddled** up the reports and need help to tell which.

## foggy

*adj.* characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory

*synonym*: misty, hazy, murky

(1) **foggy** morning, (2) **foggy** memory

The **foggy** weather made it difficult to see the road ahead.

## shield

*n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves

*synonym*: guard, protection, safeguard

(1) a heat **shield**, (2) a **shield** for protecting against a bullet  
Lead is an effective **shield** against X-rays, gamma rays, and other harmful radiation.

## definitely

*adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly

*synonym*: absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**  
The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

## rescue

*v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

*synonym*: save, extricate, retrieve

(1) **rescue** a dying dog, (2) **rescue** a company from bankruptcy

The fire department arrived just in time to **rescue** the family from the burning building.

## 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.

## struggle

*v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

*synonym*: toil, strive, compete

(1) **struggle** against discrimination, (2) **struggle** to get the job

He could not **struggle** against temptation.

## **grief**

*n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

*synonym*: anguish, desperation, dismay

(1) have **grief** and sorrow, (2) a lot of **grief**

Each person has a unique **grief** experience.

## **isolation**

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

*synonym*: aloneness, seclusion, separateness

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

That incident led to his **isolation**.

## **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.

## **drag**

*v.* to pull or haul with force

*synonym*: haul, pull, draw

(1) **drag** a chair over, (2) **drag** a team down

He **dragged** the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.

## **sight**

*n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen

*synonym*: vision, spectacle, view

(1) an unexpected **sight**, (2) dull **sight**

Many famous **sights** are within walking distance.

## **acute**

*adj.* extremely sharp or severe

*synonym*: sharp, perceptive, keen

(1) **acute** pain, (2) **acute** triangle

The patient died from **acute** alcohol intoxication.

## anguish

*n.* severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony

*synonym*: distress, torment, agony

(1) **anguish** and pain, (2) emotional **anguish**

She suffered from a deep sense of **anguish** following the loss of her loved one.

## chronic

*adj.* being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual

*synonym*: established, regular, constant

(1) risk of **chronic** disease, (2) **chronic** alcohol consumption

**Chronic** hyperglycemia is a trigger for a variety of serious diseases.

## stagnate

*v.* to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement

*synonym*: stall, halt, idle

(1) **stagnate** economy, (2) **stagnate** due to problems

If you don't exercise regularly, your fitness levels may **stagnate**.

## neglect

*v.* to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone

*synonym*: delinquency, carelessness, decay

(1) **neglect** to call, (2) **neglect** ethical issues

He **neglected** his health to make the project a success.

## 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.

## emotion

*n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others

*synonym*: feeling, sentiment, passion

(1) control my **emotion**, (2) afraid to show **emotion**

Some **emotions** are common across cultures and backgrounds.

## discuss

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

*synonym*: talk about, converse, debate

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

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

## celebrity

*n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry

*synonym*: figure, star, VIP

(1) baseball **celebrity**, (2) **celebrity** known worldwide

The popularity of the show made her an instant **celebrity**.

## royalty

*n.* revenue derived from the use of a patent, copyright, or other right; the people who are the family of a king and queen

*synonym*: nobility, aristocracy, monarch

(1) a grandchild of **royalty**, (2) **royalty** income

The **royalty** payments for the use of the patented technology were quite high.

## utter

*adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice

*synonym*: absolute, complete, total

(1) **utter** nonsense, (2) **utter** a big sigh

The **utter** chaos of the concert crowd made it seem like a wild animal was in the room.



## excitement

*n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness

*synonym*: thrill, exhilaration, incitement

(1) the **excitement** in the business world, (2) aesthetic **excitement**

The **excitement** of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.

## puzzling

*adj.* confusing or difficult to understand; mysterious

*synonym*: baffling, confusing, enigmatic

(1) **puzzling** behavior, (2) **puzzling** questions

The detective found the clues **puzzling** and couldn't solve the case immediately.

## vaccinate

*v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

*synonym*: immunize, inject, inoculate

(1) **vaccinate** against scarlet fever, (2) **vaccinate** every year

The nurse **vaccinated** the children in the school.

## 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.

## treasure

*n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

*synonym*: hoard, fortune, gem

(1) **treasure** hunt, (2) **treasure** island

The pirates searched for buried **treasure** in the dunes.

## victim

*n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance,

or event

*synonym*: prey, target, sufferer

(1) **victim** support, (2) **victim** compensation

The **victim** of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.

## revenge

*n.* the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution

*synonym*: retaliation, retribution, vengeance

(1) plot **revenge**, (2) **revenge** killing

He seeks **revenge** against the person who wronged him.

## bedtime

*n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness

*synonym*: sleep time, night-time

(1) **bedtime** meditation, (2) regular **bedtime**

Reading **bedtime** stories can help children relax and fall asleep faster.

## procrastinate

*v.* to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring

*synonym*: delay, dawdle, hesitate

(1) **procrastinate** about a big challenge, (2) **procrastinate** on my homework

He **procrastinated** the matter until it was almost too late.

## bliss

*n.* extreme happiness or joy

*synonym*: delight, euphoria, happiness

(1) ignorance is **bliss**, (2) ultimate **bliss**

The first two years of her marriage were sheer **bliss**.

## perpetual

*adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted

*synonym*: enduring, unchanging, incessant

(1) **perpetual** motion machine, (2) **perpetual** struggle  
The company employs a **perpetual** inventory system.

## unique

*adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else  
*synonym*: one-of-a-kind, unparalleled, incomparable

(1) a **unique** teacher, (2) **unique** design  
The painting is **unique**, and there is no other like it.

## disrupt

*v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

*synonym*: interrupt, disturb, break into

(1) **disrupt** a well-ordered condition, (2) **disrupt** sleep  
I'm so sorry to **disrupt** you when you're pretty busy.

## dampen

*v.* to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement

*synonym*: drench, moisten, saturate

(1) **dampen** the sound, (2) **dampen** the enthusiasm  
The rain helped **dampen** the flames of the campfire.

## depression

*n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

*synonym*: recession, slump, despair

(1) the Great **Depression**, (2) the root problem of her **depression**

**Depression** symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

## lurk

*v.* to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal

*synonym*: hide, creep, stalk

(1) **lurked** behind the words, (2) **lurk** in the darkness  
In the city, the risk of traffic accidents **lurks** at every corner.

## dwindle

*v.* to gradually decrease in size, amount, or strength; to become smaller

*synonym*: shrink, decrease, fade

(1) **dwindle** in importance, (2) **dwindle** to almost nothing

The crowds at the festival **dwindled** as the night went on.

## delight

*n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness

*synonym*: pleasure, joy, satisfaction

(1) a tremor of **delight**, (2) with **delight**

The **delight** on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.

## dull

*adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp

*synonym*: insensitive, unintelligent, boring

(1) a **dull** pain, (2) **dull** sight

The trade is **dull** right now due to the collapse of the prominent investment bank.

## indifferent

*adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

*synonym*: apathetic, disinterested, unmoved

(1) an **indifferent** glance, (2) emotionally **indifferent**

Despite the good news, she remained **indifferent** to the situation.

## indifference

*n.* a lack of interest, enthusiasm, or sympathy towards someone or something

*synonym*: apathy, disinterest, unconcern

(1) **indifference** to pain, (2) general **indifference**

I tried to assume an air of **indifference**.

## spot

*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

*synonym*: dot, mark, place

(1) beauty **spot**, (2) a **spot** on his honor

This remote **spot** is rarely visited.

## **toxic**

*adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

*synonym* : poisonous, harmful, contaminated

(1) **toxic** molecule, (2) exposure to **toxic** chemicals

This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more **toxic**.

## **posit**

*v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

*synonym* : assert, declare, assume

(1) **posit** the existence of life after death, (2) **posit** the premise

We should **posit** several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

## **optimistic**

*adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

*synonym* : hopeful, auspicious, cheery

(1) he is **optimistic**, (2) **optimistic** outlook

Most executives were **optimistic** about future business conditions.

## **upbeat**

*adj.* positive, optimistic, or enthusiastic in attitude or outlook; having a lively or energetic rhythm or tempo, especially in music

*synonym* : optimistic, positive, hopeful

(1) **upbeat** attitude, (2) remain **upbeat** about the future

The **upbeat** music helped to lift her spirits and put her in a good mood.

## **encourage**

*v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

*synonym* : facilitate, persuade, stimulate

(1) **encourage** a sense of affinity, (2) **encourage** antisocial behavior

They **encouraged** customers with a premium for loyal

patronage.

## blessing

*n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune

*synonym*: favor, benediction, boon

(1) count your **blessings**, (2) bestowed **blessings**

Receiving support from his friends was a great **blessing** in his time of need.

## annoying

*adj.* making someone feel slightly angry

*synonym*: aggravating, bothersome, irksome

(1) **annoying** banner ad, (2) **annoying** habit

The phone call is an **annoying** interruption.

## volunteer

*n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

*synonym*: unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

(1) seek **volunteers**, (2) my **volunteer** work

The teachers make full use of **volunteer** assistance.

## cold-call

*v.* to make an unsolicited phone call or visit to a potential customer or client who has not expressed any prior interest or given permission for such contact to offer a product or service

*synonym*: prospect, canvass, phone

(1) **cold-call** potential leads, (2) **cold-call** companies in the area

I had to **cold-call** potential clients to promote my new business.

## applause

*n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

*synonym*: clapping, cheering, acclaim

(1) round of **applause**, (2) earn **applause**

The **applause** burst from the audience.

## grant

*v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

*synonym*: allocate, authorize, give

(1) **grant** a new license, (2) **grant** a land

The chairperson **granted** him the right to speak.

## jazz

*n.* a type of music that originated in the African-American community in the United States and that is characterized by improvisation, syncopated rhythms, and a strong emphasis on self-expression

*synonym*: swing, blues, bebop

(1) **jazz** club, (2) a school **jazz** band

He listened to **jazz** music to relax after a long day at work.

## poetry

*n.* poems in general as a genre of literature

*synonym*: ode, poesy, verse

(1) modern **poetry**, (2) book of **poetry**

Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of **poetry** varies greatly.

## poet

*n.* a person who writes poetry

*synonym*: versifier, rhymers, writer

(1) a court **poet**, (2) a **poet** of sorts

She is a talented **poet** who has been recognized for her work.

## pause

*v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing

*synonym*: halt, break, intermit

(1) **pause** a moment, (2) **pause** for a reaction

The man **paused** before opening the door.

## assume

*v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

*synonym*: guess, presume, suppose

(1) **assume** a lousy attitude to his boss, (2) **assume** an important role

The following example **assumes** that the capacity of each battery is the same.

## experiment

*n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

*synonym*: experimentation, investigation

(1) **experiment** design, (2) series of **experiments**

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

## opposition

*n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

*synonym*: resistance, hostility, antagonism

(1) **opposition** campaign, (2) meet with **opposition**

The **opposition** party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

## random

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

*synonym*: incidental, arbitrary, unanticipated

(1) a **random** choice, (2) bombs fell at **random**

To find drunk drivers, police conduct **random** tests.

## assign

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

*synonym*: entrust, delegate, designate

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

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

## predict

*v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience

*synonym*: forecast, anticipate, foresee

(1) **predict** the future, (2) **predict** when she will arrive

It's notoriously challenging to **predict** birth rates.

## well-being

*n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

*synonym*: health, welfare, happiness

(1) the **well-being** of a nation, (2) a sense of **well-being**



We are responsible for the care and **well-being** of all our employees.

## optimism

*n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation

*synonym*: positiveness, sanguinity, bullishness

(1) sense of **optimism**, (2) political **optimism**

There is considerable **optimism** that the economy will recover soon.

## zone

*n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

*synonym*: area, region, territory

(1) time **zone**, (2) **zone** defense

He was reluctant to leave his comfort **zone** and try something new.

## absorption

*n.* a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid

*synonym*: consumption, digestion, soaking up

(1) the **absorption** of photons, (2) **absorption** energy

Vitamin D is essential to assist the **absorption** of calcium from food.

## appeal

*n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

*synonym*: request, charm, attraction

(1) draw out your **appeal**, (2) an **appeal** for help

He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an **appeal** directly.

## transport

*n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

*synonym*: shipment, transit, conveyance

(1) **transport** facilities, (2) access to public **transport**

Enhanced rail **transportation** is crucial for our business.

## immerse

*v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered

*synonym*: dip, inundate, submerge

(1) **immerse** the cloth in the dye, (2) completely **immerse** the ingredient

He **immersed** himself in his research.

## temporary

*adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long

*synonym*: provisional, short-term, interim

(1) a **temporary** permit, (2) **temporary** housing

He managed to get **temporary** jobs during the recession.

## bunch

*n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

*synonym*: group, assemblage, bundle

(1) a **bunch** of trees, (2) a **bunch** of schoolgirls

One bad apple spoils the whole **bunch**.

## asymmetric

*adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; not corresponding in size, shape, or degree; characterized by an uneven or unequal distribution or arrangement

*synonym*: uneven, lopsided, unbalanced

(1) **asymmetric** warfare, (2) **asymmetric** information

The **asymmetric** design of the building made it stand out in the city skyline.

## relation

*n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

*synonym*: association, linkage, connection

(1) **relation** between cause and effect, (2) **relation** of inclusion

The industrial **relations** laws were passed with little to no alteration.

## exotic

*adj.* originating from or characteristic of a foreign country or culture; strikingly unusual, uncommon, or intriguing

*synonym*: foreign, alien, unfamiliar

(1) **exotic** species, (2) **exotic** vacation

I love trying **exotic** foods from different cultures.

## engagement

*n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

*synonym*: betrothal, promise, commitment

(1) a prior **engagement**, (2) break off an **engagement**

They selected a gorgeous diamond **engagement** ring.

## fictional

*adj.* imaginary and not real; of or related to literary fiction

*synonym*: imaginary, invented, made-up

(1) **fictional** character, (2) non- **fictional** text

The names of the company are entirely **fictional**.

## peak

*n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

*synonym*: summit, vertex, apex

(1) at **peak** hour, (2) the **peak** current in the circuit

This measurement aims to reduce traffic at **peak** periods.

## participate

*v.* to take part in something

*synonym*: take part, partake, enter

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

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

## cartoon

*n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption

*synonym*: illustration, drawing, caricature

(1) **cartoon** character, (2) **cartoon** industry

He spent his afternoon watching **cartoon** movies on TV.

## independence

*n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence

*synonym*: freedom, liberty, autonomy

(1) financial **independence**, (2) **independence** ceremony

There is nothing more valuable than **independence** and freedom.

## mute

*adj.* silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated

*synonym*: silent, unspoken, voiceless

(1) **mute** button, (2) **mute** sound

The actor played a **mute** character and had to rely on facial expressions to portray his emotions.

## celebrate

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

*synonym*: praise, glorify, honor

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

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

## isolate

*v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

*synonym*: separate, sequester, insulate

(1) **isolate** a compound, (2) **isolate** a patient

You should not **isolate** them from the community.

## extended

*adj.* longer than usual or anticipated

*synonym*: extensive, prolonged, elongated

(1) **extended** vacation, (2) **extended** payment

The **extended** airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

## halfway

*adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

*synonym*: middle, median, center

(1) **halfway** through my journey, (2) **halfway** decent job

The famous restaurant stands **halfway** up the hill.

## reminisce

*v.* to recall or remember past events or experiences, often with nostalgia or fondness

*synonym*: remember, recall

(1) **reminisce** on old times, (2) **reminisce** with old friends

Whenever I listen to this song, I **reminisce** about my college days.

## zen

*n.* a school of Mahayana Buddhism that originated in China and was later developed in Japan, emphasizing the practice of meditation as the way to achieve enlightenment or awakening; (adjective) characterized by a sense of peace and tranquility, often through the practice of meditation or the use of natural elements

*synonym*: meditative, peaceful, tranquil

(1) **zen** garden, (2) **zen** meditation

Daily yoga helped her achieve a **zen** state of mind and calmness.

## gloat

*v.* to express or feel great pleasure or satisfaction in one's success or good fortune, often at the expense of others; to rub in or show off in a boastful or taunting manner

*synonym*: boast, brag, crow

(1) **gloat** over my success, (2) **gloat** with satisfaction

After winning the championship, he couldn't help but **gloat** about his victory to his opponents.

## impending

*adj.* about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent

*synonym*: imminent, upcoming, approaching

(1) **impending** doom, (2) **impending** crisis

We must prepare for the **impending** storm expected to hit our area.

## 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**.

## **bomb**

*n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

*synonym*: missile, explosive, ammunition

(1) atomic **bombs**, (2) disarm the **bomb**

The use of cluster **bombs** is strictly prohibited by international law.

## **shell**

*n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

*synonym*: ammunition, armor, cover

(1) an egg **shell**, (2) a mollusk **shell**

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

## **go-cart**

*n.* a small, lightweight 2- or 4-wheeled vehicle with a simple frame and a gasoline or electric-powered engine that is used for recreational racing or transportation

*synonym*: kart, buggy, mini-car

(1) **go-cart** track, (2) ride a **go-cart**

I had so much fun racing **go-carts** at the amusement park.

## **tradition**

*n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society

*synonym*: custom, practice, ritual

(1) a **tradition** of a culture, (2) against **tradition**

It is a **tradition** in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.

## **asleep**

*adj.* in a state of sleep

*synonym*: sleeping, fallen, at rest

(1) **asleep** at the wheel, (2) dead **asleep**

He lay down and fell **asleep** immediately.

## **mastery**

*n.* complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity

*synonym*: proficiency, aptitude, domination

(1) **mastery** of mathematics, (2) strive for **mastery**

The country finally gained **mastery** over the whole land of its neighbors.

## progression

*n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

*synonym*: advancement, development, evolution

(1) **progression** of civilization, (2) **progression** of disease

The company has made great strides in its **progression** toward sustainability.

## slogan

*n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea

*synonym*: catchphrase, tagline, motto

(1) catchy **slogan**, (2) advertising **slogan**

The company spent months researching and testing different brand **slogans** before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.

## 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.

## accomplishment

*n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

*synonym*: success, achievement, complete

(1) proud of his **accomplishments**, (2) the **accomplishment** of a social goal

Graduating from college was a major **accomplishment** for her.

## thrill

- n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion

*synonym*: exhilaration, delight, rush

(1) the **thrill** of speed, (2) incredible **thrill**

Skydiving is an overwhelming **thrill** for many people.

## loaf

- n.* a quantity of bread that is shaped and baked in one piece and usually sliced for serving; (verb) to be lazy or idle

*synonym*: bread, boule, brioche

(1) crusty **loaf**, (2) **loaf** around during the day

On my way home from work, I picked up a **loaf** of bread from the bakery.

## sourdough

- n.* a type of bread made from a fermented mixture of flour and water known as a "starter" that develops a sour taste and aroma due to the presence of naturally occurring bacteria and yeast

(1) crusty **sourdough**, (2) **sourdough** starter

I am making homemade **sourdough** bread from scratch for the first time.

## 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.

## stack

- n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

*synonym*: accumulation, heap, pile

(1) high **stack**, (2) a large **stack** of paper

The earthquake caused a **stack** of lumber to crumble noisily.



## **laptop**

*n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

(1) bring my **laptop**, (2) thin-and-light **laptop**

I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my **laptop** all day.

## **crossword**

*n.* a word puzzle consisting of a grid of black and white squares and blanks into which words crossing vertically and horizontally are written according to clues

(1) do a **crossword** puzzle, (2) good at **crossword** puzzles

He sat frowning over a **crossword** puzzle.

## **confetti**

*n.* small pieces of colored paper or other material that are thrown around on festive occasions, especially in celebration or as part of the decoration

(1) **confetti** party, (2) **confetti-filled** balloons

We threw **confetti** at the wedding to celebrate the happy couple.

## **shred**

*v.* to tear or cut something into a small pieces; (noun) a tiny or scarcely detectable amount

*synonym*: rip up, tear up, cut

(1) **shred** paper into little pieces, (2) **shred** lettuce for a salad

There is not a **shred** of evidence that he is guilty.

## **increasingly**

*adv.* more and more

*synonym*: more and more, progressively

(1) **increasingly** become common, (2) face **increasingly** complicated challenges

Our company found it **increasingly** difficult to keep up with the competition.

## **useless**

*adj.* not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result

*synonym*: ineffectual, unhelpful, worthless

(1) **useless** information, (2) **useless** in the kitchen

The old, rusty tools were now **useless** and had to be thrown away.

## excellence

*n.* the quality of being extremely good

*synonym*: distinction, goodness, superiority

(1) **excellence** in product design, (2) highest standards of **excellence**

He has also won many marketing **excellence** awards.

## boundary

*n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

*synonym*: border, frontier, limitation

(1) geographical **boundary**, (2) the **boundary** between reality and fantasy

He wandered the **boundary** between life and death by gunfire.

## scholar

*n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

*synonym*: professor, pupil, learner

(1) **scholar** in international politics, (2) noted **scholar**

You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a **scholar**.

## fortune

*n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

*synonym*: wealth, affluence, assets

(1) ill **fortune**, (2) bit of good **fortune**

Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal **fortune**.

## policy

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

*synonym*: strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

## interrupt

*v.* to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action

*synonym*: disturb, hinder, break in

(1) **interrupt** a call, (2) abruptly **interrupt**

Her sleep was **interrupted** by recurring pain.

## spike

*n.* a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something

*synonym*: end, spindle, point

(1) to **spike**, (2) to prevent blood sugar **spikes**

The recent **spike** in grain prices is partly due to the war in the producing countries.

## magical

*adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers

*synonym*: enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers

When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

## fundraise

*v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

*synonym*: appeal, raise, solicit

(1) **fundraise** a charity fund, (2) **fundraise** for a new shelter

The school is planning to **fundraise** to purchase new books for the library.

## alumni

*n.* (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program

*synonym*: graduates, former students, alum

(1) **alumni** network, (2) **alumni** relations

Many **alumni** of our college have become successful in their

chosen fields.

## donation

*n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

*synonym*: contribution, gift, subsidy

(1) make a **donation**, (2) political **donation**

He made a generous **donation** to the charity.

## doe

*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit

*synonym*: rabbit, bunny, hare

(1) **doe** rabbit, (2) buck and **doe**

Hunters use a whistle that makes the **doe** sound to lure stags.

## pants

*n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs

*synonym*: trousers, breeches, slacks

(1) woolly **pants**, (2) pajama **pants**

I always wear **pants** when I go outside, even in the summer.

## suit

*n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for

*synonym*: clothes, lawsuit, (verb) fit

(1) **suit** and tie restaurant, (2) **suit** at law

Six **suits** are awaiting trial or verdict.

## triple

*adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many

*synonym*: threefold

(1) a **triple** mirror, (2) **triple** digits

His coach is a **triple** Olympic champion.

## revenue

*n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

*synonym*: earnings, payment, remuneration

(1) tax **revenue**, (2) annual **revenue**

This graph indicates the city's tourism **revenue** over five years.

## needle

*n.* a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood

*synonym*: thorn, spike, pin

(1) **needle** prick, (2) sewing **needle**

The acupuncturist inserted **needles** into specific points on my body to alleviate my pain.

## 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.

## monotonous

*adj.* lacking in variety, excitement, or interest; repetitive and tedious

*synonym*: tedious, dull, boring

(1) **monotonous** routine, (2) **monotonous** job

The **monotonous** task of data entry required intense concentration.

## 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.

## absorb

*v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

*synonym*: consume, soak, ingest

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

The sponge **absorbs** water well.

## tuition

*n.* the act of teaching something, especially when given to a small group or one person; fees charged by education institutions for instruction or other services

*synonym*: fee, schooling, education

(1) **tuition** assistance, (2) a college **tuition**

His father cannot afford his **tuition**.

## satisfaction

*n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

*synonym*: delight, pleasure, content

(1) a sense of **satisfaction**, (2) customer **satisfaction**

The mediated settlement brought **satisfaction** to both sides.

## peel

*v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

*synonym*: pare, unclothe, disrobe

(1) **peel** a fruit, (2) **peel** off easily

The storm had **peeled** all paint off the siding.

## in-law

*n.* a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law

*synonym*: relative by marriage, family connection, affinal

(1) future **in-law**, (2) meeting **in-laws**

My sister- **in-law** is a pediatrician who works in a children's hospital.

## 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.

### **gang**

*n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity

*synonym*: crew, posse, group

(1) a motorcycle **gang**, (2) **gang** member

The street **gang** was known for its violent behavior.

### **helpless**

*adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

*synonym*: defenseless, powerless, susceptible

(1) **helpless** baby, (2) **helpless** victims

I feel so **helpless** without you.

### **normally**

*adv.* usually; under normal conditions

*synonym*: commonly, generally, naturally

(1) complete **normally**, (2) not **normally** drink much

I don't **normally** take a vacation in the middle of summer.

### **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.

### **frequency**

*n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

*synonym*: recurrence, repetition, regularity

(1) **frequency** band, (2) high **frequency**

The oscillator hunts for the correct **frequency**.

### **communicate**

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

*synonym*: convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,  
(2) **communicate** well with my advisor  
Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

## depth

*n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something;  
between the top surface and a distance below it  
*synonym*: deepness, profoundness, extent  
(1) **depth** camera, (2) the **depth** of the water  
The pond's **depth** was around five feet.

## antidote

*n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls  
the effects of a poison or disease  
*synonym*: remedy, treatment, restorative  
(1) the **antidote** to the poison, (2) the **antidote** for aging  
Knowledge is the **antidote** to fear.

## rethink

*v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change  
it  
*synonym*: reexplore, review, reconsider  
(1) **rethink** a marketing plan, (2) **rethink** the role of the  
manager  
We have to **rethink** our company's product lineup for further  
growth.

## syllable

*n.* a single unit of spoken language more significant than a  
phoneme containing a vowel sound and usually one or  
more consonants  
(1) **syllable** structure, (2) single **syllable**  
Emphasize the second **syllable** when pronouncing it.

## void

*n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective)  
lacking any legal or binding force  
*synonym*: emptiness, vacuity, (adjective) null  
(1) **void** of expression, (2) **void** contract  
The **void** in her heart was filled with the love of her family.



## Session 2: Spelling

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|---------------------------------------|---|
| 1. pro_____ate about a big challenge  | <i>v.</i> to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring  |
| 2. psy_____gy of crowd                | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior   |
| 3. have gr__f and sorrow              | <i>n.</i> a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies   |
| 4. fi_____al character                | <i>adj.</i> imaginary and not real; of or related to literary fiction   |
| 5. the wel_____ng of a nation         | <i>n.</i> the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous   |
| 6. college sch_____ip                 | <i>n.</i> a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements                    |
| 7. the root problem of her dep_____on | <i>n.</i> a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market |
| 8. financial ind_____nce              | <i>n.</i> freedom from another's or others' control or influence  |
| 9. the country's is_____on            | <i>n.</i> the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups                                    |
| 10. with de_____t                     | <i>n.</i> a feeling of great pleasure or happiness  |
| 11. re_____ce on old times            | <i>v.</i> to recall or remember past events or experiences, often with nostalgia or fondness  |

ANSWERS: 1. procrastinate, 2. psychology, 3. grief, 4. fictional, 5. well-being, 6. scholarship, 7. depression, 8. independence, 9. isolation, 10. delight, 11. reminisce

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|--------------------------|---|
| 12. pu____ng questions   | <i>adj.</i> confusing or difficult to understand; mysterious  |
| 13. an____ng habit       | <i>adj.</i> making someone feel slightly angry  |
| 14. ha____y decent job   | <i>adj.</i> in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points   |
| 15. the th____l of speed | <i>n.</i> a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion   |
| 16. sewing ne____e       | <i>n.</i> a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood            |
| 17. tr____re island      | <i>n.</i> a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected               |
| 18. de__h camera         | <i>n.</i> the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it   |
| 19. make a do____on      | <i>n.</i> a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them   |
| 20. g__g member          | <i>n.</i> a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity  |
| 21. ride a go____t       | <i>n.</i> a small, lightweight 2- or 4-wheeled vehicle with a simple frame and a gasoline or electric-powered engine that is used for recreational racing or transportation |

ANSWERS: 12. puzzling, 13. annoying, 14. halfway, 15. thrill, 16. needle, 17. treasure, 18. depth, 19. donation, 20. gang, 21. go-cart

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| 22. tax re_____e                      | <i>n.</i> the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business   |
| 23. d_e rabbit                        | <i>n.</i> a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit  |
| 24. us_____s information              | <i>adj.</i> not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result   |
| 25. re___e a dying dog                | <i>v.</i> to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation   |
| 26. a college tu_____n                | <i>n.</i> the act of teaching something, especially when given to a small group or one person; fees charged by education institutions for instruction or other services                                      |
| 27. di_____t a well-ordered condition | <i>v.</i> to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance  |
| 28. ca_____n industry                 | <i>n.</i> a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption  |
| 29. modern po___y                     | <i>n.</i> poems in general as a genre of literature  |
| 30. ne_____t to call                  | <i>v.</i> to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone   |
| 31. economic sta_____on               | <i>n.</i> the state or condition of not moving or making progress; lack of activity or development; a situation where economic or social conditions remain stable, but there is little growth or improvement |

ANSWERS: 22. revenue, 23. doe, 24. useless, 25. rescue, 26. tuition, 27. disrupt, 28. cartoon, 29. poetry, 30. neglect, 31. stagnation

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|----------------------------------|---|
| 32. meeting in___ws              | <i>n.</i> a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law   |
| 33. pr____t the future           | <i>v.</i> to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience   |
| 34. vi____y over terrorism       | <i>n.</i> success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won   |
| 35. beauty s__t                  | <i>n.</i> a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it  |
| 36. a sense of wel_____ng        | <i>n.</i> the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous   |
| 37. doo_____ing habit            | <i>n.</i> the act of compulsively scrolling through negative news and events on the internet, often leading to feelings of anxiety or despair   |
| 38. crusty l__f                  | <i>n.</i> a quantity of bread that is shaped and baked in one piece and usually sliced for serving; (verb) to be lazy or idle   |
| 39. cor_____us antibody test kit | <i>n.</i> 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 |
| 40. advertising sl___n           | <i>n.</i> a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea  |

ANSWERS: 32. in-law, 33. predict, 34. victory, 35. spot, 36. well-being, 37. doomscrolling, 38. loaf, 39. coronavirus, 40. slogan

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| 41. s__t at law               | <i>n.</i> a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for  |
| 42. foreign po___y            | <i>n.</i> a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective |
| 43. a s__t on his honor       | <i>n.</i> a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it   |
| 44. alcohol bi__e             | <i>n.</i> a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence  |
| 45. he is opt_____ic          | <i>adj.</i> hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful  |
| 46. ce_____te Christmas       | <i>v.</i> to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity  |
| 47. co_____ll potential leads | <i>v.</i> to make an unsolicited phone call or visit to a potential customer or client who has not expressed any prior interest or given permission for such contact to offer a product or service   |
| 48. complete no_____ly        | <i>adv.</i> usually; under normal conditions   |

ANSWERS: 41. suit, 42. policy, 43. spot, 44. binge, 45. optimistic, 46. celebrate, 47. cold-call, 48. normally

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| 49. emotional an____h                 | <i>n.</i> severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony   |
| 50. da____n the enthusiasm            | <i>v.</i> to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement  |
| 51. im____e the cloth in the dye      | <i>v.</i> to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered                        |
| 52. re____e a company from bankruptcy | <i>v.</i> to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation   |
| 53. abs____on energy                  | <i>n.</i> a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid   |
| 54. count your bl____ngs              | <i>n.</i> a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune |
| 55. psy____gy experiment              | <i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior  |
| 56. a p__t of sorts                   | <i>n.</i> a person who writes poetry   |
| 57. sy____le structure                | <i>n.</i> a single unit of spoken language more significant than a phoneme containing a vowel sound and usually one or more consonants                                 |
| 58. up____t attitude                  | <i>adj.</i> positive, optimistic, or enthusiastic in attitude or outlook; having a lively or energetic rhythm or tempo, especially in music                            |

ANSWERS: 49. anguish, 50. dampen, 51. immerse, 52. rescue, 53. absorption, 54. blessing, 55. psychology, 56. poet, 57. syllable, 58. upbeat

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| 59. da___n the sound              | <i>v.</i> to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement   |
| 60. ro_____y income               | <i>n.</i> revenue derived from the use of a patent, copyright, or other right; the people who are the family of a king and queen  |
| 61. proud of his acc_____ents     | <i>n.</i> the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training  |
| 62. pe_____al motion machine      | <i>adj.</i> continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted   |
| 63. pro_____ate on my homework    | <i>v.</i> to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring  |
| 64. la_____sh under illness       | <i>v.</i> (of a person, animal, or plant) to lose vigor, health, or flesh; to be forced to exist in an unpleasant or unwanted situation or place, often for a long time |
| 65. pr_____t when she will arrive | <i>v.</i> to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience   |
| 66. bring my la____p              | <i>n.</i> a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap   |
| 67. st_____te due to problems     | <i>v.</i> to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement                        |

ANSWERS: 59. dampen, 60. royalty, 61. accomplishment, 62. perpetual, 63. procrastinate, 64. languish, 65. predict, 66. laptop, 67. stagnate

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| 68. fu_____se a charity fund       | <i>v.</i> to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms                          |
| 69. en_____er shortage             | <i>n.</i> a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software   |
| 70. dw_____e in importance         | <i>v.</i> to gradually decrease in size, amount, or strength; to become smaller   |
| 71. say def_____ly                 | <i>adv.</i> without any question and beyond doubt; clearly  |
| 72. sw__r a blue streak            | <i>v.</i> to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language  |
| 73. sh__d paper into little pieces | <i>v.</i> to tear or cut something into a small pieces; (noun) a tiny or scarcely detectable amount   |
| 74. ma_____l place                 | <i>adj.</i> produced by or containing supernatural powers   |
| 75. a school j__z band             | <i>n.</i> a type of music that originated in the African-American community in the United States and that is characterized by improvisation, syncopated rhythms, and a strong emphasis on self-expression |
| 76. achieve a do_____nt share      | <i>adj.</i> more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type  |
| 77. ch_____c alcohol consumption   | <i>adj.</i> being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual   |

ANSWERS: 68. fundraise, 69. engineer, 70. dwindle, 71. definitely, 72. swear, 73. shred, 74. magical, 75. jazz, 76. dominant, 77. chronic



78. re____e killing	<i>n.</i> the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution
79. inc_____gly become common	<i>adv.</i> more and more
80. fo__y memory	<i>adj.</i> characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory
81. dead as___p	<i>adj.</i> in a state of sleep
82. a large st__k of paper	<i>n.</i> a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
83. ac__e triangle	<i>adj.</i> extremely sharp or severe
84. ab___b energy	<i>v.</i> to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
85. ac__e pain	<i>adj.</i> extremely sharp or severe
86. ind_____nce to pain	<i>n.</i> a lack of interest, enthusiasm, or sympathy towards someone or something
87. atomic b__bs	<i>n.</i> a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
88. he_____ss victims	<i>adj.</i> unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
89. co_____ll companies in the area	<i>v.</i> to make an unsolicited phone call or visit to a potential customer or client who has not expressed any prior interest or given permission for such contact to offer a product or service

ANSWERS: 78. revenge, 79. increasingly, 80. foggy, 81. asleep, 82. stack, 83. acute, 84. absorb, 85. acute, 86. indifference, 87. bomb, 88. helpless, 89. cold-call

90. flu pa____ic	<i>n.</i> an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
91. mi____ht snack	<i>n.</i> the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
92. re____k a marketing plan	<i>v.</i> to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
93. ne____t ethical issues	<i>v.</i> to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone
94. as____n projects	<i>v.</i> to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
95. pajama pa__s	<i>n.</i> an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
96. is____e a compound	<i>v.</i> to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
97. a sch____ip association	<i>n.</i> a grant or payment made to support a student's education usually awarded based on academic or other achievements
98. ex____ed payment	<i>adj.</i> longer than usual or anticipated
99. a sh____d for protecting against a bullet	<i>n.</i> a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves
100. opt____ic outlook	<i>adj.</i> hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

ANSWERS: 90. pandemic, 91. midnight, 92. rethink, 93. neglect, 94. assign, 95. pants, 96. isolate, 97. scholarship, 98. extended, 99. shield, 100. optimistic

101. sense of op____sm	<i>n.</i> a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
102. re____on between cause and effect	<i>n.</i> the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
103. po__t the existence of life after death	<i>v.</i> to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
104. im_____ng doom	<i>adj.</i> about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent
105. meet with opp_____on	<i>n.</i> the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
106. d__g a chair over	<i>v.</i> to pull or haul with force
107. pa__e for a reaction	<i>v.</i> to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
108. earn ap_____se	<i>n.</i> a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
109. the market is de_____ed	<i>adj.</i> sad and without any hope
110. crusty so_____gh	<i>n.</i> a type of bread made from a fermented mixture of flour and water known as a "starter" that develops a sour taste and aroma due to the presence of naturally occurring bacteria and yeast
111. m__e sound	<i>adj.</i> silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated
112. geographical bo_____ry	<i>n.</i> a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

ANSWERS: 101. optimism, 102. relation, 103. posit, 104. impending, 105. opposition, 106. drag, 107. pause, 108. applause, 109. depressed, 110. sourdough, 111. mute, 112. boundary

113. en_____ge antisocial behavior	<i>v.</i> to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
114. vi____m compensation	<i>n.</i> a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
115. ce_____ty known worldwide	<i>n.</i> someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
116. asy_____ic warfare	<i>adj.</i> lacking symmetry or balance; not corresponding in size, shape, or degree; characterized by an uneven or unequal distribution or arrangement
117. the abs_____on of photons	<i>n.</i> a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid
118. risk of ch_____c disease	<i>adj.</i> being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual
119. buck and d_e	<i>n.</i> a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
120. remain up____t about the future	<i>adj.</i> positive, optimistic, or enthusiastic in attitude or outlook; having a lively or energetic rhythm or tempo, especially in music
121. exp_____nt design	<i>n.</i> the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

ANSWERS: 113. encourage, 114. victim, 115. celebrity, 116. asymmetric, 117. absorption, 118. chronic, 119. doe, 120. upbeat, 121. experiment

122. pu____ng behavior	<i>adj.</i> confusing or difficult to understand; mysterious
123. mi____ht shift	<i>n.</i> the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
124. as____p at the wheel	<i>adj.</i> in a state of sleep
125. pro____on of disease	<i>n.</i> the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
126. he____ss baby	<i>adj.</i> unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help
127. bestowed bl____ngs	<i>n.</i> a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
128. par____te in the program	<i>v.</i> to take part in something
129. di____s options	<i>v.</i> to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
130. tr____re hunt	<i>n.</i> a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected
131. vi____y in the law court	<i>n.</i> success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won
132. bi__e on social media	<i>n.</i> a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence

ANSWERS: 122. puzzling, 123. midnight, 124. asleep, 125. progression, 126. helpless, 127. blessing, 128. participate, 129. discuss, 130. treasure, 131. victory, 132. binge

133. French soc_____st	<i>n.</i> a person who studies the institutions and development of human society
134. 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.
135. the exc_____nt in the business world	<i>n.</i> a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
136. re_____on of inclusion	<i>n.</i> the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
137. highest standards of exc_____ce	<i>n.</i> the quality of being extremely good
138. thin-and-light la____p	<i>n.</i> a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap
139. a prior eng_____nt	<i>n.</i> a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time
140. fo__y morning	<i>adj.</i> characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory
141. good at cr_____rd puzzles	<i>n.</i> a word puzzle consisting of a grid of black and white squares and blanks into which words crossing vertically and horizontally are written according to clues
142. draw out your ap____l	<i>n.</i> a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest

ANSWERS: 133. sociologist, 134. concentration, 135. excitement, 136. relation, 137. excellence, 138. laptop, 139. engagement, 140. foggy, 141. crossword, 142. appeal

143. political do\_\_\_\_on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
144. an ind\_\_\_\_\_nt glance *adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
145. is\_\_\_\_\_e a patient *v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things
146. mot\_\_\_\_\_on for a change *n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
147. d\_\_e of sleep *n.* the feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally; (verb) to confuse or stun someone with a sudden intense light or loud noise
148. 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
149. te\_\_\_\_\_ry housing *adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long
150. gl\_\_t with satisfaction *v.* to express or feel great pleasure or satisfaction in one's success or good fortune, often at the expense of others; to rub in or show off in a boastful or taunting manner

ANSWERS: 143. donation, 144. indifferent, 145. isolate, 146. motivation, 147. daze, 148. process, 149. temporary, 150. gloat

151. emotionally ind_____nt	<i>adj.</i> having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral
152. a bu__h of trees	<i>n.</i> a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
153. an egg sh__l	<i>n.</i> hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals
154. a court p__t	<i>n.</i> a person who writes poetry
155. non-fi_____al text	<i>adj.</i> imaginary and not real; of or related to literary fiction
156. la_____sh for lack of funding	<i>v.</i> (of a person, animal, or plant) to lose vigor, health, or flesh; to be forced to exist in an unpleasant or unwanted situation or place, often for a long time
157. ne___e prick	<i>n.</i> a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood
158. go_____t track	<i>n.</i> a small, lightweight 2- or 4-wheeled vehicle with a simple frame and a gasoline or electric-powered engine that is used for recreational racing or transportation
159. is_____on booth	<i>n.</i> the condition of being alone or lonely; the act or state of separation between persons or groups
160. the acc_____ent of a social goal	<i>n.</i> the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

ANSWERS: 151. indifferent, 152. bunch, 153. shell, 154. poet, 155. fictional, 156. languish, 157. needle, 158. go-cart, 159. isolation, 160. accomplishment



161. general ind_____nce	<i>n.</i> a lack of interest, enthusiasm, or sympathy towards someone or something
162. im_____ng crisis	<i>adj.</i> about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent
163. eve_____ly succeed	<i>adv.</i> finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
164. exc_____ce in product design	<i>n.</i> the quality of being extremely good
165. ut__r nonsense	<i>adj.</i> complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice
166. book of po____y	<i>n.</i> poems in general as a genre of literature
167. a tr_____on of a culture	<i>n.</i> a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
168. completely im_____e the ingredient	<i>v.</i> to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered
169. us_____s in the kitchen	<i>adj.</i> not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result
170. a un____e teacher	<i>adj.</i> being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
171. customer sat_____ion	<i>n.</i> a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something

ANSWERS: 161. indifference, 162. impending, 163. eventually, 164. excellence, 165. utter, 166. poetry, 167. tradition, 168. immerse, 169. useless, 170. unique, 171. satisfaction

172. the de__h of the water	<i>n.</i> the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
173. I__ked behind the words	<i>v.</i> to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal
174. sw__r an oath	<i>v.</i> to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language
175. d__l sight	<i>adj.</i> not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
176. mon_____us job	<i>adj.</i> lacking in variety, excitement, or interest; repetitive and tedious
177. mon_____us routine	<i>adj.</i> lacking in variety, excitement, or interest; repetitive and tedious
178. an unexpected si__t	<i>n.</i> the ability to see; anything that is seen
179. v__d of expression	<i>n.</i> an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force
180. face inc_____gly complicated challenges	<i>adv.</i> more and more
181. p__l a fruit	<i>v.</i> to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
182. pe_____al struggle	<i>adj.</i> continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted
183. population sta_____on	<i>n.</i> the state or condition of not moving or making progress; lack of activity or development; a situation where economic or social conditions remain stable, but there is little growth or improvement

ANSWERS: 172. depth, 173. lurk, 174. swear, 175. dull, 176. monotonous, 177. monotonous, 178. sight, 179. void, 180. increasingly, 181. peel, 182. perpetual, 183. stagnation

184. tr___e digits	<i>adj.</i> consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many
185. to__c molecule	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
186. not no____ly drink much	<i>adv.</i> usually; under normal conditions
187. sc____r in international politics	<i>n.</i> professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
188. an ap___l for help	<i>n.</i> a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
189. ca____n character	<i>n.</i> a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
190. ignorance is bl__s	<i>n.</i> extreme happiness or joy
191. ha____y through my journey	<i>adj.</i> in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
192. en____s possibilities	<i>adj.</i> having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount
193. z_n meditation	<i>n.</i> a school of Mahayana Buddhism that originated in China and was later developed in Japan, emphasizing the practice of meditation as the way to achieve enlightenment or awakening; (adjective) characterized by a sense of peace and tranquility, often through the practice of meditation or the use of natural elements

ANSWERS: 184. triple, 185. toxic, 186. normally, 187. scholar, 188. appeal, 189. cartoon, 190. bliss, 191. halfway, 192. endless, 193. zen

194. exposure to to__c chemicals	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous
195. strive for ma____y	<i>n.</i> complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity
196. p__l off easily	<i>v.</i> to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables
197. ma____l powers	<i>adj.</i> produced by or containing supernatural powers
198. co____ti-filled balloons	<i>n.</i> small pieces of colored paper or other material that are thrown around on festive occasions, especially in celebration or as part of the decoration
199. a tremor of de____t	<i>n.</i> a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
200. access to public tr____rt	<i>n.</i> a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
201. com____te well with my advisor	<i>v.</i> to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
202. ma____y of mathematics	<i>n.</i> complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity
203. va____te against scarlet fever	<i>v.</i> to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease
204. be____e meditation	<i>n.</i> the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness

ANSWERS: 194. toxic, 195. mastery, 196. peel, 197. magical, 198. confetti, 199. delight, 200. transport, 201. communicate, 202. mastery, 203. vaccinate, 204.

bedtime

205. def_____ly become a problem	<i>adv.</i> without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
206. pa__e a moment	<i>v.</i> to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
207. a bu__h of schoolgirls	<i>n.</i> a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together
208. ex_____ed vacation	<i>adj.</i> longer than usual or anticipated
209. roll up a sc___l	<i>n.</i> a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them
210. religious soc_____st	<i>n.</i> a person who studies the institutions and development of human society
211. series of exp_____nts	<i>n.</i> the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
212. annual re_____e	<i>n.</i> the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business
213. bombs fell at ra___m	<i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
214. a_m at a specific target	<i>v.</i> to try or plan to get or achieve something
215. catchy sl___n	<i>n.</i> a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
216. a mollusk sh___l	<i>n.</i> hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

ANSWERS: 205. definitely, 206. pause, 207. bunch, 208. extended, 209. scroll, 210. sociologist, 211. experiment, 212. revenue, 213. random, 214. aim, 215. slogan, 216. shell

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| 217. political op_____sm              | <i>n.</i> a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation  |
| 218. afraid to show em_____n          | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others  |
| 219. re_____k the role of the manager | <i>v.</i> to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it   |
| 220. tu_____n assistance              | <i>n.</i> the act of teaching something, especially when given to a small group or one person; fees charged by education institutions for instruction or other services                         |
| 221. the an_____te to the poison      | <i>n.</i> a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease  |
| 222. v__d contract                    | <i>n.</i> an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force  |
| 223. future in___w                    | <i>n.</i> a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law   |
| 224. s__t and tie restaurant          | <i>n.</i> a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for |
| 225. en_____s hours                   | <i>adj.</i> having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount  |

ANSWERS: 217. optimism, 218. emotion, 219. rethink, 220. tuition, 221. antidote, 222. void, 223. in-law, 224. suit, 225. endless

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| 226. va_____te every year       | <i>v.</i> to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease   |
| 227. as____n top priority       | <i>v.</i> to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone   |
| 228. dw_____e to almost nothing | <i>v.</i> to gradually decrease in size, amount, or strength; to become smaller  |
| 229. walk around in a d__e      | <i>n.</i> the feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally; (verb) to confuse or stun someone with a sudden intense light or loud noise                               |
| 230. di_____t sleep             | <i>v.</i> to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance  |
| 231. imm_____ze his name        | <i>v.</i> to prevent someone or something from being forgotten permanently   |
| 232. de_____ed feeling          | <i>adj.</i> sad and without any hope   |
| 233. al____i network            | <i>n.</i> (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program   |
| 234. regular be_____e           | <i>n.</i> the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness |
| 235. ultimate bl__s             | <i>n.</i> extreme happiness or joy   |

ANSWERS: 226. vaccinate, 227. assign, 228. dwindle, 229. daze, 230. disrupt, 231. immortalize, 232. depressed, 233. alumni, 234. bedtime, 235. bliss



236. aesthetic exc_____nt	<i>n.</i> a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
237. po__t the premise	<i>v.</i> to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration
238. ut__r a big sigh	<i>adj.</i> complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice
239. ab___b a shock	<i>v.</i> to take in a fluid or other substance gradually
240. a lot of gr__f	<i>n.</i> a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
241. do a cr_____rd puzzle	<i>n.</i> a word puzzle consisting of a grid of black and white squares and blanks into which words crossing vertically and horizontally are written according to clues
242. a private ind_____al	<i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
243. round of ap_____se	<i>n.</i> a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together
244. health po___y	<i>n.</i> a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 236. excitement, 237. posit, 238. utter, 239. absorb, 240. grief, 241. crossword, 242. individual, 243. applause, 244. policy

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| 245. asy_____ic information        | <i>adj.</i> lacking symmetry or balance; not corresponding in size, shape, or degree; characterized by an uneven or unequal distribution or arrangement                              |
| 246. gl__t over my success         | <i>v.</i> to express or feel great pleasure or satisfaction in one's success or good fortune, often at the expense of others; to rub in or show off in a boastful or taunting manner |
| 247. a motorcycle g__g             | <i>n.</i> a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity   |
| 248. break off an eng_____nt       | <i>n.</i> a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time   |
| 249. to prevent blood sugar sp__es | <i>n.</i> a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something   |
| 250. a d__l pain                   | <i>adj.</i> not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp  |
| 251. ind_____al freedom            | <i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group   |
| 252. incredible th___l             | <i>n.</i> a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion  |
| 253. my vo_____er work             | <i>n.</i> a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do   |

ANSWERS: 245. asymmetric, 246. gloat, 247. gang, 248. engagement, 249. spike, 250. dull, 251. individual, 252. thrill, 253. volunteer

254. m__e button	<i>adj.</i> silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated
255. con_____ion of armaments	<i>n.</i> the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
256. d__g a team down	<i>v.</i> to pull or haul with force
257. an_____ng banner ad	<i>adj.</i> making someone feel slightly angry
258. sh__d lettuce for a salad	<i>v.</i> to tear or cut something into a small pieces; (noun) a tiny or scarcely detectable amount
259. a_m to be a nurse	<i>v.</i> to try or plan to get or achieve something
260. the p__k current in the circuit	<i>n.</i> the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain
261. ex___c vacation	<i>adj.</i> originating from or characteristic of a foreign country or culture; strikingly unusual, uncommon, or intriguing
262. ex___c species	<i>adj.</i> originating from or characteristic of a foreign country or culture; strikingly unusual, uncommon, or intriguing
263. an_____h and pain	<i>n.</i> severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony
264. as___e an important role	<i>v.</i> to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance

ANSWERS: 254. mute, 255. concentration, 256. drag, 257. annoying, 258. shred, 259. aim, 260. peak, 261. exotic, 262. exotic, 263. anguish, 264. assume

265. a te_____ry permit	<i>adj.</i> not lasting or be used for a very long
266. so_____gh starter	<i>n.</i> a type of bread made from a fermented mixture of flour and water known as a "starter" that develops a sour taste and aroma due to the presence of naturally occurring bacteria and yeast
267. mu___e the situation	<i>v.</i> to mix up or confuse something; to make a mess of something; to create disorder or chaos
268. woolly pa__s	<i>n.</i> an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
269. ce_____te his election	<i>v.</i> to acknowledge a memorable or good day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity
270. understand his mot_____on	<i>n.</i> the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
271. boring en__i	<i>n.</i> a feeling of boredom, weariness, or dissatisfaction arising from a lack of interest or stimulation; a sense of listlessness or apathy
272. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist	<i>v.</i> to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
273. j__z club	<i>n.</i> a type of music that originated in the African-American community in the United States and that is characterized by improvisation, syncopated rhythms, and a strong emphasis on self-expression

ANSWERS: 265. temporary, 266. sourdough, 267. muddle, 268. pants, 269. celebrate, 270. motivation, 271. ennui, 272. communicate, 273. jazz

274. a civil en____er	<i>n.</i> a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
275. 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
276. ill fo____e	<i>n.</i> a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
277. to sp__e	<i>n.</i> a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something
278. against tr____on	<i>n.</i> a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
279. en____ge a sense of affinity	<i>v.</i> to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do
280. di____s solutions	<i>v.</i> to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
281. single sy____le	<i>n.</i> a single unit of spoken language more significant than a phoneme containing a vowel sound and usually one or more consonants

ANSWERS: 274. engineer, 275. nation, 276. fortune, 277. spike, 278. tradition, 279. encourage, 280. discuss, 281. syllable

282. high fr_____cy	<i>n.</i> an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
283. na___n-state	<i>n.</i> a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
284. co_____ti party	<i>n.</i> small pieces of colored paper or other material that are thrown around on festive occasions, especially in celebration or as part of the decoration
285. st_____le to get the job	<i>v.</i> to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
286. a sense of sat_____ion	<i>n.</i> a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
287. the an_____te for aging	<i>n.</i> a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease
288. a tr___e mirror	<i>adj.</i> consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many
289. sc___l through a document	<i>n.</i> a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them
290. a heat sh____d	<i>n.</i> a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves

ANSWERS: 282. frequency, 283. nation, 284. confetti, 285. struggle, 286. satisfaction, 287. antidote, 288. triple, 289. scroll, 290. shield

291. al___i relations	<i>n.</i> (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program
292. eve_____ly become obsolete	<i>adv.</i> finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
293. plot re_____e	<i>n.</i> the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution
294. disarm the b__b	<i>n.</i> a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something
295. st_____le against discrimination	<i>v.</i> to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction
296. a ra___m choice	<i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
297. in_____pt a call	<i>v.</i> to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action
298. a grandchild of ro_____y	<i>n.</i> revenue derived from the use of a patent, copyright, or other right; the people who are the family of a king and queen
299. mu___e the instructions	<i>v.</i> to mix up or confuse something; to make a mess of something; to create disorder or chaos
300. tr_____rt facilities	<i>n.</i> a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on

ANSWERS: 291. alumni, 292. eventually, 293. revenge, 294. bomb, 295. struggle, 296. random, 297. interrupt, 298. royalty, 299. muddle, 300. transport

301. in_____e a lot of paperwork	<i>v.</i> to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
302. seek vo_____ers	<i>n.</i> a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
303. noted sc_____r	<i>n.</i> professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
304. global pa_____ic	<i>n.</i> an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
305. fu_____se for a new shelter	<i>v.</i> to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms
306. st_____te economy	<i>v.</i> to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement
307. baseball ce_____ty	<i>n.</i> someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
308. opp_____on campaign	<i>n.</i> the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
309. the bo_____ry between reality and fantasy	<i>n.</i> a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
310. en__i during the long drive	<i>n.</i> a feeling of boredom, weariness, or dissatisfaction arising from a lack of interest or stimulation; a sense of listlessness or apathy

ANSWERS: 301. involve, 302. volunteer, 303. scholar, 304. pandemic, 305. fundraise, 306. stagnate, 307. celebrity, 308. opposition, 309. boundary, 310. ennui



311. do____nt force	<i>adj.</i> more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
312. as____e a lousy attitude to his boss	<i>v.</i> to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
313. ind____nce ceremony	<i>n.</i> freedom from another's or others' control or influence
314. vi____m support	<i>n.</i> a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
315. in____e a high degree of risk	<i>v.</i> to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
316. imm____ze a person in verse	<i>v.</i> to prevent someone or something from being forgotten permanently
317. high st__k	<i>n.</i> a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated
318. the Great Dep____on	<i>n.</i> a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
319. cor____us bankruptcy	<i>n.</i> 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

ANSWERS: 311. dominant, 312. assume, 313. independence, 314. victim, 315. involve, 316. immortalize, 317. stack, 318. depression, 319. coronavirus

320. I__f around during the day	<i>n.</i>	a quantity of bread that is shaped and baked in one piece and usually sliced for serving; (verb) to be lazy or idle
321. par_____te fully in conversation	<i>v.</i>	to take part in something
322. western phi_____hy	<i>n.</i>	the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
323. time z__e	<i>n.</i>	a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
324. control my em_____n	<i>n.</i>	a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
325. z__e defense	<i>n.</i>	a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way
326. bit of good fo_____e	<i>n.</i>	a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
327. dull si__t	<i>n.</i>	the ability to see; anything that is seen
328. abruptly in_____pt	<i>v.</i>	to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action
329. gr__t a new license	<i>v.</i>	to agree to give or allow somebody
330. re_____ce with old friends	<i>v.</i>	to recall or remember past events or experiences, often with nostalgia or fondness
331. at p__k hour	<i>n.</i>	the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

ANSWERS: 320. loaf, 321. participate, 322. philosophy, 323. zone, 324. emotion, 325. zone, 326. fortune, 327. sight, 328. interrupt, 329. grant, 330. reminisce, 331. peak

332. un___e design	<i>adj.</i> being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
333. l__k in the darkness	<i>v.</i> to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal
334. can't stop doo_____ing	<i>n.</i> the act of compulsively scrolling through negative news and events on the internet, often leading to feelings of anxiety or despair
335. phi_____hy of education	<i>n.</i> the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
336. pro_____on of civilization	<i>n.</i> the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
337. z_n garden	<i>n.</i> a school of Mahayana Buddhism that originated in China and was later developed in Japan, emphasizing the practice of meditation as the way to achieve enlightenment or awakening; (adjective) characterized by a sense of peace and tranquility, often through the practice of meditation or the use of natural elements
338. 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

ANSWERS: 332. unique, 333. lurk, 334. doomscrolling, 335. philosophy, 336. progression, 337. zen, 338. process

339. fr\_\_\_\_\_cy band

*n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split

340. gr\_\_t a land

*v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

ANSWERS: 339. frequency, 340. grant

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. When I was a child, my mother often cast \_\_\_\_\_ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.  
*adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
2. I accidentally \_\_\_\_\_ up the reports and need help to tell which.  
*v.* to mix up or confuse something; to make a mess of something; to create disorder or chaos
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ on the child's faces when they received the toy was priceless.  
*n.* a feeling of great pleasure or happiness
4. Lead is an effective \_\_\_\_\_ against X-rays, gamma rays, and other harmful radiation.  
*n.* a protective covering or structure, especially in the past, that soldiers held in front of their bodies to protect themselves
5. Her company soon won a \_\_\_\_\_ market share.  
*adj.* more important, influential, or easy to notice than anything else of the same type
6. The company spent months researching and testing different brand \_\_\_\_\_ before finally settling on 'Just Do It' as their new tagline.  
*n.* a short, catchy phrase or motto that is used by a person, organization, or company to promote a particular product, cause, or idea
7. They \_\_\_\_\_ customers with a premium for loyal patronage.  
*v.* to give someone support, confidence, or hope; to persuade someone to do or continue to do something by making it easier for them and making them believe it is a good thing to do

ANSWERS: 1. magical, 2. muddled, 3. delight, 4. shield, 5. dominant, 6. slogans, 7. encouraged

8. Six \_\_\_\_\_ are awaiting trial or verdict.
- n.* a set of clothes that are made from the same material; a claim or complaint that a person or organization can file in court against another party; (verb) to be fit or acceptable for
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ chaos of the concert crowd made it seem like a wild animal was in the room.
- adj.* complete, total, or absolute; said, done, or experienced without any exceptions or qualifications; spoken aloud or enunciated very clearly and distinctly; (verb) to speak or articulate words, sounds, or a voice
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the upcoming concert was palpable among the crowd.
- n.* a feeling of great enthusiasm and eagerness
11. Ethics is a branch of \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* the study of general and fundamental questions, such as those about existence, reason, knowledge, values, mind
12. The popularity of the show made her an instant \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* someone who is well-known, particularly in the entertainment industry
13. I always wear \_\_\_\_\_ when I go outside, even in the summer.
- n.* an item of clothing that covers the lower part of the body and each leg separately, typically with a waistband and two legs
14. This exam requires excellent \_\_\_\_\_ to pass.
- n.* the ability to focus all your time and energy on one thing without thinking about anything else.
15. He was in a \_\_\_\_\_ from the sudden news and couldn't process it properly.
- n.* the feeling of distress and disbelief that you have when something bad happens accidentally; (verb) to confuse or stun someone with a sudden intense light or loud noise

ANSWERS: 8. suits, 9. utter, 10. excitement, 11. philosophy, 12. celebrity, 13. pants, 14. concentration, 15. daze

16. The oscillator hunts for the correct \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* an ordered array of colors into which a light beam can be split
17. A significant amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is required to be a teacher.  
*n.* the reason or enthusiasm for acting or behaving in a particular way
18. The man \_\_\_\_\_ before opening the door.  
*v.* to take a short break from talking or doing something before continuing
19. I tried to assume an air of \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a lack of interest, enthusiasm, or sympathy towards someone or something
20. 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
21. The phone call is an \_\_\_\_\_ interruption.  
*adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
22. He spent his afternoon watching \_\_\_\_\_ movies on TV.  
*n.* a simple drawing depicting a humorous or critical situation, often accompanied by a caption
23. He wandered the \_\_\_\_\_ between life and death by gunfire.  
*n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places

ANSWERS: 16. frequency, 17. motivation, 18. paused, 19. indifference, 20. process, 21. annoying, 22. cartoon, 23. boundary

24. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the crime deserves justice and support to recover from the trauma.
- n.* a person who has been harmed, injured, or otherwise negatively affected by a particular action, circumstance, or event
25. Skydiving is an overwhelming \_\_\_\_\_ for many people.
- n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
26. On my way home from work, I picked up a \_\_\_\_\_ of bread from the bakery.
- n.* a quantity of bread that is shaped and baked in one piece and usually sliced for serving; (verb) to be lazy or idle
27. I had so much fun racing \_\_\_\_\_ at the amusement park.
- n.* a small, lightweight 2- or 4-wheeled vehicle with a simple frame and a gasoline or electric-powered engine that is used for recreational racing or transportation
28. The mediated settlement brought \_\_\_\_\_ to both sides.
- n.* a pleasant feeling you have when you have fulfilled a desire, need, or expectation or have achieved something
29. It's notoriously challenging to \_\_\_\_\_ birth rates.
- v.* to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
30. The following example \_\_\_\_\_ that the capacity of each battery is the same.
- v.* to think or accept something to be true without having proof of it; to take or begin to have power; to begin to exhibit a specific quality or appearance
31. The old, rusty tools were now \_\_\_\_\_ and had to be thrown away.
- adj.* not serving any useful purpose; having no practical result

ANSWERS: 24. victim, 25. thrill, 26. loaf, 27. go-carts, 28. satisfaction, 29. predict, 30. assumes, 31. useless



32. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university

33. There is not a \_\_\_\_\_ of evidence that he is guilty.

- v.* to tear or cut something into a small pieces; (noun) a tiny or scarcely detectable amount

34. We threw \_\_\_\_\_ at the wedding to celebrate the happy couple.

- n.* small pieces of colored paper or other material that are thrown around on festive occasions, especially in celebration or as part of the decoration

35. I feel a sense of \_\_\_\_\_ because of the monotony of my daily routine.

- n.* a feeling of boredom, weariness, or dissatisfaction arising from a lack of interest or stimulation; a sense of listlessness or apathy

36. He managed to get \_\_\_\_\_ jobs during the recession.

- adj.* not lasting or be used for a very long

37. The \_\_\_\_\_ party strongly disagreed with the government's proposed legislation.

- n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement

38. I feel so \_\_\_\_\_ without you.

- adj.* unable to take care of oneself or to do things without help

39. 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

ANSWERS: 32. scholar, 33. shred, 34. confetti, 35. ennui, 36. temporary, 37. opposition, 38. helpless, 39. scholarship

40. The acupuncturist inserted \_\_\_\_\_ into specific points on my body to alleviate my pain.
- n.* a thin, pointed object typically used for sewing or medical purposes; a metal or plastic instrument used for administering injections or drawing blood
41. He needed to resolve the problem as soon as possible, so he made an \_\_\_\_\_ directly.
- n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
42. Some \_\_\_\_\_ are common across cultures and backgrounds.
- n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
43. The painting is \_\_\_\_\_ and there is no other like it.
- adj.* being the only one of its kind; unlike anything else
44. The paper is \_\_\_\_\_ worth reading thoroughly.
- adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
45. The company's lack of innovation has led to \_\_\_\_\_ and declining profits.
- n.* the state or condition of not moving or making progress; lack of activity or development; a situation where economic or social conditions remain stable, but there is little growth or improvement
46. I stayed up until \_\_\_\_\_ watching my favorite movie.
- n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
47. He \_\_\_\_\_ himself in his research.
- v.* to become fully involved in a particular activity; to dip or submerge in a liquid, especially so that they or it are entirely covered

ANSWERS: 40. needles, 41. appeal, 42. emotions, 43. unique, 44. definitely, 45. stagnation, 46. midnight, 47. immersed

48. They selected a gorgeous diamond \_\_\_\_\_ ring.

- n.* a mutual promise to marry someone; an agreement to do something, especially at a particular time

49. The \_\_\_\_\_ airport runways may accommodate larger jets.

- adj.* longer than usual or anticipated

50. The detective found the clues \_\_\_\_\_ and couldn't solve the case immediately.

- adj.* confusing or difficult to understand; mysterious

51. We are optimistic about our final \_\_\_\_\_.

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

52. The earthquake caused a \_\_\_\_\_ of lumber to crumble noisily.

- n.* a pile of something arranged or laid one on top of another; a large tall chimney through which combustion gases and smoke can be evacuated

53. This measurement aims to reduce traffic at \_\_\_\_\_ periods.

- n.* the point to which something or someone is at its strongest, best, or most successful; the pointed top of a mountain

54. 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

55. She stayed up all night \_\_\_\_\_ her favorite TV show.

- n.* a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence

ANSWERS: 48. engagement, 49. extended, 50. puzzling, 51. victory, 52. stack, 53. peak, 54. involves, 55. binge-watching

56. He \_\_\_\_\_ the matter until it was almost too late.

*v.* to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring

57. I'm so sorry to \_\_\_\_\_ you when you're pretty busy.

*v.* to prevent or stop something, especially an event, activity, or process, from continuing in the usual way by causing a problem or disturbance

58. There is nothing more valuable than \_\_\_\_\_ and freedom.

*n.* freedom from another's or others' control or influence

59. 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

60. The patient died from \_\_\_\_\_ alcohol intoxication.

*adj.* extremely sharp or severe

61. The \_\_\_\_\_ weather made it difficult to see the road ahead.

*adj.* characterized by or filled with dense clouds of mist or fog; unclear or hazy, as in thought or memory

62. This chemical compound is a thousand-fold more \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* of or relating to or caused by a poison; poisonous

63. I love trying \_\_\_\_\_ foods from different cultures.

*adj.* originating from or characteristic of a foreign country or culture; strikingly unusual, uncommon, or intriguing

64. He lay down and fell \_\_\_\_\_ immediately.

*adj.* in a state of sleep

ANSWERS: 56. procrastinated, 57. disrupt, 58. independence, 59. nation, 60. acute, 61. foggy, 62. toxic, 63. exotic, 64. asleep

65. He sat frowning over a \_\_\_\_\_ puzzle.

- n.* a word puzzle consisting of a grid of black and white squares and blanks into which words crossing vertically and horizontally are written according to clues

66. Her sleep was \_\_\_\_\_ by recurring pain.

- v.* to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action

67. Most executives were \_\_\_\_\_ about future business conditions.

- adj.* hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful

68. Whenever I listen to this song, I \_\_\_\_\_ about my college days.

- v.* to recall or remember past events or experiences, often with nostalgia or fondness

69. The crowds at the festival \_\_\_\_\_ as the night went on.

- v.* to gradually decrease in size, amount, or strength; to become smaller

70. Different cultures have different comfortable word rhythms, so the composition of \_\_\_\_\_ varies greatly.

- n.* poems in general as a genre of literature

71. 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

72. The teachers make full use of \_\_\_\_\_ assistance.

- n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do

ANSWERS: 65. crossword, 66. interrupted, 67. optimistic, 68. reminisce, 69. dwindled, 70. poetry, 71. individual, 72. volunteer

73. You should not \_\_\_\_\_ them from the community.

- v.* to physically or socially separate someone or something from other people or things

74. He made a generous \_\_\_\_\_ to the charity.

- n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them

75. The house owner loved the large hanging \_\_\_\_\_ in the guest room.

- n.* a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them

76. His coach is a \_\_\_\_\_ Olympic champion.

- adj.* consisting of three items or people; three times as great or many

77. After his mother died, he got \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* sad and without any hope

78. The street \_\_\_\_\_ was known for its violent behavior.

- n.* a group of people who organize and engage in criminal activity

79. \_\_\_\_\_ hyperglycemia is a trigger for a variety of serious diseases.

- adj.* being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual

80. The outermost electron \_\_\_\_\_ determines the chemical properties of an atom.

- n.* hard outer covering or case of eggs, nuts, some seeds, and some animals

81. His \_\_\_\_\_ showed highly positive results.

- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

ANSWERS: 73. isolate, 74. donation, 75. scroll, 76. triple, 77. depressed, 78. gang, 79. Chronic, 80. shell, 81. experiments

82. Many \_\_\_\_\_ of our college have become successful in their chosen fields.  
*n.* (the plural form of "alumnus" or "alumna") former students or graduates of an educational institution or program
83. The trade is \_\_\_\_\_ right now due to the collapse of the prominent investment bank.  
*adj.* not interesting or exciting; not bright, vivid, or shiny; not active, brisk, or sharp
84. I \_\_\_\_\_ I didn't mean to break your vase.  
*v.* to make a solemn promise or vow; to use rude or offensive language
85. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the next steps for the project during our meeting tomorrow.  
*v.* to talk about or examine in detail through conversation or debate; to exchange ideas, opinions, or information on a particular topic
86. In the city, the risk of traffic accidents \_\_\_\_\_ at every corner.  
*v.* to wait somewhere secretly, especially because you are about to attack someone or do something bad or illegal
87. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ in many families to have a big Thanksgiving dinner with all their relatives.  
*n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
88. We have to \_\_\_\_\_ our company's product lineup for further growth.  
*v.* to consider again a plan, idea, etc., especially to change it
89. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 82. alumni, 83. dull, 84. swear, 85. discuss, 86. lurks, 87. tradition, 88. rethink, 89. fortune

90. Each person has a unique \_\_\_\_\_ experience.

*n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies

91. He listened to \_\_\_\_\_ music to relax after a long day at work.

*n.* a type of music that originated in the African-American community in the United States and that is characterized by improvisation, syncopated rhythms, and a strong emphasis on self-expression

92. Emphasize the second \_\_\_\_\_ when pronouncing it.

*n.* a single unit of spoken language more significant than a phoneme containing a vowel sound and usually one or more consonants

93. One bad apple spoils the whole \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a grouping of several similar things which are growing or fastened together

94. The use of cluster \_\_\_\_\_ is strictly prohibited by international law.

*n.* a weapon that explodes and is used to kill or injure people or to cause damage to something

95. The pirates searched for buried \_\_\_\_\_ in the dunes.

*n.* a valuable or desirable possession; something that is cherished or held dear; a collection of valuable objects or money that is hidden or protected

96. Knowledge is the \_\_\_\_\_ to fear.

*n.* a chemical substance or remedy that stops or controls the effects of a poison or disease

97. She is a talented \_\_\_\_\_ who has been recognized for her work.

*n.* a person who writes poetry

ANSWERS: 90. grief, 91. jazz, 92. syllable, 93. bunch, 94. bombs, 95. treasure, 96. antidote, 97. poet



98. There is considerable \_\_\_\_\_ that the economy will recover soon.  
*n.* a feeling or the belief that good things will happen, or the quality of being full of hope and emphasizing the positive aspects of a situation
99. Hunters use a whistle that makes the \_\_\_\_ sound to lure stags.  
*n.* a mature female of mammals of which the male is called a buck, such as a deer or a rabbit
100. Many famous \_\_\_\_\_ are within walking distance.  
*n.* the ability to see; anything that is seen
101. Enhanced rail \_\_\_\_\_ is crucial for our business.  
*n.* a system for moving people or products from one location to another using automobiles, roads, and so on
102. I am making homemade \_\_\_\_\_ bread from scratch for the first time.  
*n.* a type of bread made from a fermented mixture of flour and water known as a "starter" that develops a sour taste and aroma due to the presence of naturally occurring bacteria and yeast
103. The rain helped \_\_\_\_\_ the flames of the campfire.  
*v.* to make something wet or moist; to reduce the intensity or impact of something, such as a feeling, sound, or movement
104. The chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ him the right to speak.  
*v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
105. The \_\_\_\_\_ music helped to lift her spirits and put her in a good mood.  
*adj.* positive, optimistic, or enthusiastic in attitude or outlook; having a lively or energetic rhythm or tempo, especially in music

ANSWERS: 98. optimism, 99. doe, 100. sights, 101. transportation, 102. sourdough, 103. dampen, 104. granted, 105. upbeat

106. The \_\_\_\_\_ payments for the use of the patented technology were quite high.  
*n.* revenue derived from the use of a patent, copyright, or other right; the people who are the family of a king and queen
107. The \_\_\_\_\_ will repair my telephone tomorrow morning.  
*n.* a person whose job is designing, building, or maintaining something such as machines, structures, or software
108. Daily yoga helped her achieve a \_\_\_\_ state of mind and calmness.  
*n.* a school of Mahayana Buddhism that originated in China and was later developed in Japan, emphasizing the practice of meditation as the way to achieve enlightenment or awakening; (adjective) characterized by a sense of peace and tranquility, often through the practice of meditation or the use of natural elements
109. The pond's \_\_\_\_\_ was around five feet.  
*n.* the distance between the top and bottom of something; between the top surface and a distance below it
110. He \_\_\_\_\_ the heavy suitcase behind him as he walked.  
*v.* to pull or haul with force
111. Receiving support from his friends was a great \_\_\_\_\_ in his time of need.  
*n.* a gift or favor from a higher power or force; an act or expression of approval, encouragement, or gratitude; something that brings happiness or good fortune
112. The majority of students actively \_\_\_\_\_ in the college's intramural sports program.  
*v.* to take part in something

ANSWERS: 106. royalty, 107. engineer, 108. zen, 109. depth, 110. dragged, 111. blessing, 112. participated

113. She was caught in a \_\_\_\_\_ loop, scrolling through negative news for hours.

- n.* the act of compulsively scrolling through negative news and events on the internet, often leading to feelings of anxiety or despair

114. We are responsible for the care and \_\_\_\_\_ of all our employees.

- n.* the state of being happy and healthy and prosperous

115. My sister-\_\_\_\_\_ is a pediatrician who works in a children's hospital.

- n.* a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law

116. The company's new \_\_\_\_\_ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.

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

117. \_\_\_\_\_ studies the changes in family structure due to modernization.

- n.* a person who studies the institutions and development of human society

118. He seeks \_\_\_\_\_ against the person who wronged him.

- n.* the act of inflicting punishment or harm in return for an injury or wrongdoing; retaliation, retribution

119. The actor played a \_\_\_\_\_ character and had to rely on facial expressions to portray his emotions.

- adj.* silent; not speaking or unable to speak; not expressed or articulated

120. The \_\_\_\_\_ in her heart was filled with the love of her family.

- n.* an empty space; a feeling of emptiness; (adjective) lacking any legal or binding force

ANSWERS: 113. doomscrolling, 114. well-being, 115. in-law, 116. policy, 117. Sociologist, 118. revenge, 119. mute, 120. void

121. Graduating from college was a major \_\_\_\_\_ for her.

- n.* the successful completion of a task or goal; an ability that has been acquired by training

122. His father cannot afford his \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the act of teaching something, especially when given to a small group or one person; fees charged by education institutions for instruction or other services

123. \_\_\_\_\_ symptoms might include a decrease in appetite and weight loss.

- n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market

124. The \_\_\_\_\_ task of data entry required intense concentration.

- adj.* lacking in variety, excitement, or interest; repetitive and tedious

125. I had to \_\_\_\_\_ potential clients to promote my new business.

- v.* to make an unsolicited phone call or visit to a potential customer or client who has not expressed any prior interest or given permission for such contact to offer a product or service

126. That incident led to his \_\_\_\_\_.

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

127. We must prepare for the \_\_\_\_\_ storm expected to hit our area.

- adj.* about to happen or occur; close in time; imminent

128. He has also won many marketing \_\_\_\_\_ awards.

- n.* the quality of being extremely good

ANSWERS: 121. accomplishment, 122. tuition, 123. Depression, 124. monotonous, 125. cold-call, 126. isolation, 127. impending, 128. excellence

129. The recent \_\_\_\_\_ in grain prices is partly due to the war in the producing countries.

*n.* a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something

130. The storm had \_\_\_\_\_ all paint off the siding.

*v.* to remove the skin of fruit and vegetables

131. He \_\_\_\_\_ his health to make the project a success.

*v.* to not give enough care or attention to something; to leave something undone

132. The company employs a \_\_\_\_\_ inventory system.

*adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted

133. She had a master's degree in \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

134. The sponge \_\_\_\_\_ water well.

*v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

135. I don't \_\_\_\_\_ take a vacation in the middle of summer.

*adv.* usually; under normal conditions

136. The famous restaurant stands \_\_\_\_\_ up the hill.

*adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points

137. The \_\_\_\_\_ burst from the audience.

*n.* a demonstration of approval or praise by clapping the hands together

ANSWERS: 129. spike, 130. peeled, 131. neglected, 132. perpetual, 133. psychology, 134. absorbs, 135. normally, 136. halfway, 137. applause

138. Reading \_\_\_\_\_ stories can help children relax and fall asleep faster.

- n.* the time at which a person typically goes to bed and prepares to sleep; the period just before bedtime, which may involve routines or activities that are intended to promote relaxation or sleepiness

139. This graph indicates the city's tourism \_\_\_\_\_ over five years.

- n.* the income that a government receives from taxes or that a company earns from its business

140. The school is planning to \_\_\_\_\_ to purchase new books for the library.

- v.* to collect or solicit funds or donations, typically for a charity, nonprofit organization, or political campaign, often through events, campaigns, or online platforms

141. If you don't exercise regularly, your fitness levels may \_\_\_\_\_.

- v.* to remain still, inactive, or without growth or development; to become stale or foul-smelling due to a lack of circulation or movement

142. He could not \_\_\_\_\_ against temptation.

- v.* to make a great effort to do something when it is difficult, or there are a lot of problems; to use force or violence to break away from restraint or constriction

143. The corporation \_\_\_\_\_ dominated the entire tobacco business.

- adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on

144. He was reluctant to leave his comfort \_\_\_\_\_ and try something new.

- n.* a specific area, region, or section that is marked off or defined in some way

145. The first two years of her marriage were sheer \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* extreme happiness or joy

ANSWERS: 138. bedtime, 139. revenue, 140. fundraise, 141. stagnate, 142. struggle, 143. eventually, 144. zone, 145. bliss

146. We should \_\_\_\_\_ several hypotheses to discuss the matter.

- v.* to suggest or accept something as fact or as a basis for argument or consideration

147. Vitamin D is essential to assist the \_\_\_\_\_ of calcium from food.

- n.* a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid

148. The \_\_\_\_\_ design of the building made it stand out in the city skyline.

- adj.* lacking symmetry or balance; not corresponding in size, shape, or degree; characterized by an uneven or unequal distribution or arrangement

149. He continues to \_\_\_\_\_ in prison.

- v.* (of a person, animal, or plant) to lose vigor, health, or flesh; to be forced to exist in an unpleasant or unwanted situation or place, often for a long time

150. The company has made great strides in its \_\_\_\_\_ toward sustainability.

- n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward

151. Our company found it \_\_\_\_\_ difficult to keep up with the competition.

- adv.* more and more

152. The industrial \_\_\_\_\_ laws were passed with little to no alteration.

- n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another

153. Despite the good news, she remained \_\_\_\_\_ to the situation.

- adj.* having no strong feelings or preferences one way or the other, neutral

154. She suffered from a deep sense of \_\_\_\_\_ following the loss of her loved one.

- n.* severe physical or emotional pain or suffering; distress or mental agony

ANSWERS: 146. posit, 147. absorption, 148. asymmetric, 149. languish, 150. progression, 151. increasingly, 152. relations, 153. indifferent, 154. anguish

155. I need to finish this report by tonight, so I'll be working on my \_\_\_\_\_ all day.

- n.* a portable computer that is small enough to be carried around easily and used on your lap

156. After winning the championship, he couldn't help but \_\_\_\_\_ about his victory to his opponents.

- v.* to express or feel great pleasure or satisfaction in one's success or good fortune, often at the expense of others; to rub in or show off in a boastful or taunting manner

157. Dolphins use sound to \_\_\_\_\_ with each other.

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

158. We \_\_\_\_ for an overseas expansion.

- v.* to try or plan to get or achieve something

159. The country finally gained \_\_\_\_\_ over the whole land of its neighbors.

- n.* complete control or power of something to dominate or defeat; great skill or knowledge in a particular subject or activity

160. The names of the company are entirely \_\_\_\_\_.

- adj.* imaginary and not real; of or related to literary fiction

161. The fire department arrived just in time to \_\_\_\_\_ the family from the burning building.

- v.* to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation

162. They fear a \_\_\_\_\_ of a new type of virus.

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

ANSWERS: 155. laptop, 156. gloat, 157. communicate, 158. aim, 159. mastery, 160. fictional, 161. rescue, 162. pandemic



163. He looked out the window at the \_\_\_\_\_ stream of people.

*adj.* having no end or conclusion; infinitely very large in size or amount

164. Please \_\_\_\_\_ a different color to each other kind of item.

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

165. This remote \_\_\_\_\_ is rarely visited.

*n.* a particular location or place; a small round or roundish area, differing in color or feels from the surface around it

166. He \_\_\_\_\_ the 10th anniversary of his tenure.

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

167. To find drunk drivers, police conduct \_\_\_\_\_ tests.

*adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern

168. 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

169. This melody \_\_\_\_\_ its composer.

*v.* to prevent someone or something from being forgotten permanently

170. The nurse \_\_\_\_\_ the children in the school.

*v.* to treat with a vaccine, usually by injection, to produce immunity against a disease

ANSWERS: 163. endless, 164. assign, 165. spot, 166. celebrated, 167. random, 168. coronavirus, 169. immortalized, 170. vaccinated

ANSWERS: