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Session 1: Word List

occupation

n. a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession

synonym: job, profession, vocation

(1) **occupation** disease, (2) **occupation** of a building

The police stopped the suspicious person and asked him to give his name, address, and **occupation**.

underwear

n. clothes worn next to the skin under outer clothes

synonym: undergarments, lingerie, innerwear

(1) **underwear** clothing, (2) men's **underwear**

I want to buy new winter **underwear** because mine have holes in them.

luxury

n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

synonym: extravagance, indulgence, opulence

(1) get into the **luxury** car market, (2) **luxury** hotel

His anti- **luxury** practices were quite strict.

movement

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

synonym : motion, progression, action

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

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

construct

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

synonym : build, assemble, create

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

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

accord

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have

synonym : alliance, pact, agreement

(1) **accord** with public opinion, (2) binational **accord**

The organization finally signed a peace **accord**.

economy

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

synonym : finance, trade, business

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

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

barrier

n. a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

synonym : border, barricade, fence

(1) cost **barrier**, (2) information **barrier**

The police placed a **barrier** across the street to halt traffic.

mobility

n. the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another

synonym : flexibility, maneuverability

(1) lack in **mobility**, (2) improve social **mobility**

I have limited **mobility** in my arms.

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.

time-consuming

adj. requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete

synonym : lengthy, prolonged, protracted

(1) **time-consuming** project, (2) **time-consuming** process

Writing a research paper can be a **time-consuming** task.

dreadful

adj. very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear

synonym : terrible, horrible, awful

(1) **dreadful** accident, (2) **dreadful** news

The conditions of the prison were **dreadful** and inhumane.

daunting

adj. looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something

synonym : intimidating, stunning, disheartening

(1) face the **daunting** reality, (2) seem like a **daunting** task

My homework was **daunting** and complex, but it was also intriguing.

scare

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

synonym : frighten, spook, intimidate

(1) **scare** off her attacker by screaming, (2) **scare** the birds away

We hit the ground to **scare** out the rabbits.

detain

v. to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving

synonym: hold, keep, detainment

(1) **detain** a terrorist, (2) **detain** for investigation

The police **detained** the suspect for questioning.

cross-border

adj. relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border

synonym: international, transnational, cross-national

(1) **cross-border** relations, (2) **cross-border** cooperation

The two neighboring countries have a **cross-border** trade agreement.

spark

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

synonym: start, inspire, provoke

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

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

inspiration

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

synonym: motivation, drive, encouragement

(1) source of **inspiration**, (2) get **inspiration** from nature

He found **inspiration** in the works of his favorite authors.

friction

n. the force that opposes motion between two objects in contact, especially by producing heat and wear, and is proportional to the normal force between the objects

synonym: rub, scrape, resistance

(1) **friction** force, (2) surface **friction**

The **friction** between the two countries was causing tension.

regardless

adv. not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

synonym : anyhow, nevertheless, still

(1) **regardless** of the difficulties, (2) **regardless** tread
People can pick out superior products **regardless** of the quality of the advertising.

universal

adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

synonym : common, broad, worldwide

(1) **universal** life, (2) principles of **universal** design
The picture earned near- **universal** acclaim from critics.

digital

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

synonym : numerical, computerized, cyber

(1) a **digital** watch, (2) **digital** electronic signature
Sensors convert physical phenomena into **digital** signals.

identity

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

synonym : character, personality, individuality

(1) mistaken **identity**, (2) **identity** as an individual
The terrorist's **identity** remains unknown.

seamless

adj. without spaces or breaks between one part and the next

synonym : smooth, continuous, unseamed

(1) enable **seamless** access, (2) **seamless** device connectivity

The service was **seamless**, and the food was quite delicious.

relocate

v. to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there

synonym : emigrate, resettle, migrate

(1) **relocate** a company, (2) **relocate** with a new job
The university **relocated** to campuses several miles away.

minimal

adj. tiny in amount; the least possible

synonym: tiniest, essential, minimum

(1) **minimal** effort, (2) **minimal** amount

The process was carried out at **minimal** cost.

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.

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.

refugee

n. a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war

synonym: emigrant, evacuee, exile

(1) global **refugee** crisis, (2) the **refugee** camp

The community warmly welcomed the **refugees**.

approval

n. the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable

synonym: acceptance, endorsement, permission

(1) a written **approval**, (2) express my **approval**

This project took a lot of time to get the president's **approval**.

immigration

n. the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country

synonym : migration, settlement, emigration

(1) **immigration** control, (2) **immigration** application

The **immigration** policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.

lever

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

synonym : lifter, crowbar, bar

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

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

complexity

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

synonym : intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

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

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

expand

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

synonym : extend, grow, boost

(1) **expand** a lineup, (2) **expand** agricultural output

They hope to **expand** their business worldwide.

opportune

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

synonym : suitable, timely, practical

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

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

economical

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

synonym : frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

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

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

it.

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.

develop

v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

synonym : evolve, progress, advance

(1) **develop** a strategy, (2) **develop** a skill

We must **develop** a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.

claim

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

synonym : assert, declare, maintain

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

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

wedge

n. a piece of wood, metal, or other material with one thick end and a narrow edge that is driven between two things or parts of objects to secure or separate them

(1) drive a **wedge** into a relationship, (2) put a **wedge** under the door

He inserted the **wedge** into a split in the log.

humankind

n. the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
synonym: humanity, human race, society

(1) **humankind** as a species, (2) history of **humankind**
On the geological time scale, **humankind** has existed for a brief moment.

welfare

n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group

synonym: well-being, benefit, health

(1) child **welfare**, (2) a **welfare** state

She struggled for years to survive without **welfare**.

passport

n. an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel

synonym: travel document, ID, identity

(1) **passport** renewal, (2) **passport** document

Carrying a valid **passport** is mandatory when traveling to most foreign countries.

introduction

n. a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

synonym: initiation, preamble, prologue

(1) **introduction** education, (2) self- **introduction**

The **introduction** to the new class was informative and engaging.

slightly

adv. in a small degree or extent; a little

synonym: barely, narrowly, scarcely

(1) increase **slightly**, (2) **slightly** alkaline soils

He moved his body **slightly** to the left.

ford

n. a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across

synonym: crossing, traversing, passing

(1) **ford** a river, (2) across a **ford**

The river was too deep to cross, so we had to find a **ford** downstream where the water was shallower.

affordable

adj. not expensive and able to pay

synonym: cheap, reasonable, inexpensive

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

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

automobile

n. a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods

synonym: car, vehicle, motorcar

(1) driverless **automobile**, (2) **automobile** insurance

The **automobile** industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.

flaw

n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect

synonym: defect, fault, imperfection

(1) a minor **flaw**, (2) the **flaw** in the legislation

Even the slightest design **flaw** in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.

modern

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

synonym: contemporary, stylish, current

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

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

advantage

n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

synonym: benefit, edge, asset

(1) score an **advantage**, (2) take **advantage** of his weak points

One of the main **advantages** of the new product is its

increased efficiency.

burden

n. a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry

synonym: obligation, duty, load

(1) carry a **burden**, (2) **burden** of disease

That car has a low environmental **burden**.

irony

n. the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

synonym: sarcasm, cynicism, wit

(1) bitter **irony**, (2) **irony** humor

The **irony** of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.

indicate

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

synonym: hint, suggest, show

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

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

educated

adj. having received a high standard of education

synonym: knowledgeable, erudite, enlightened

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

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

migrant

n. a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another

synonym: immigrant, itinerant, transient

(1) **migrant** worker, (2) the movement of **migrant** birds

The government revoked his license to employ **migrant** labor

crews.

index

n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

synonym: list, directory, indicator

(1) a full-text **index**, (2) health **index**

The stock market **index** measures the performance of a group of stocks.

rank

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

synonym: position, status, standing

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

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

specialize

v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business

synonym: narrow down, particularize

(1) **specialize** in child care, (2) **specialize** in market research

The restaurant has chefs who **specialize** in beef.

divorce

n. the legal dissolution of a marriage

synonym: separation, dissolution, breakup

(1) **divorce** settlement, (2) a consensual **divorce**

The couple decided to get a **divorce** after many years of marriage.

custody

n. the state of being physically responsible for something or someone, especially a child; a state of being confined, usually for a short time

synonym: guardianship, care, detention

(1) take a person into **custody**, (2) **custody** arrangement

After a lengthy court battle, the child's **custody** was granted

to the father.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym : specialized, technical

(1) **technological** advancement, (2) **technological** policy

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

employ

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

synonym : hire, engage, use

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

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

transfer

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

synonym : move, relocate, shift

(1) **transfer** a file, (2) **transfer** power

She **transferred** the money from her savings account to her checking account.

visa

n. an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization

synonym : permit, authorization

(1) work **visa**, (2) student **visa**

I must apply for a **visa** to travel to India for my friend's wedding.

approve

v. to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

synonym : accept, authorize, agree

(1) **approve** a measures, (2) unanimously **approve** a resolution

My boss wouldn't **approve** of the plan.

underage

adj. below the legal age for a particular activity or behavior, often specifically referring to activities such as drinking, smoking, or voting

synonym : juvenile, minor, nonaged

(1) **underage** substance abuse, (2) **underage** smoking
Serving alcohol to **underage** customers is illegal and can have severe consequences for the establishment.

embassy

n. the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based

synonym : consulate, mission, legation

(1) **embassy** staff, (2) **embassy** function

The **embassy** building was heavily guarded by security personnel.

destination

n. the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action

synonym : location, endpoint, target

(1) travel **destination**, (2) romantic **destinations**

I am excited to reach my **destination** and explore the new city finally.

accurate

adj. correct and exact in all details

synonym : exact, precise, proper

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

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

transform

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

synonym : alter, convert, change

(1) **transform** an education system, (2) **transform** heat into power

My father's death **transformed** my life completely.

poorest

adj. having the least wealth or resources

synonym : impecunious, penniless, least

(1) **poorest** of the poor, (2) **poorest** area

The **poorest** countries in the world often have the highest rates of malnutrition.

democracy

n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

synonym: self-government, republic, commonwealth

(1) **democracy** advocate, (2) principles of **democracy**

Democracy often entails inclusive capitalism as well.

function

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

synonym: purpose, mapping, job

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

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

thrive

v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress

synonym: bloom, flourish, prosper

(1) **thrive** in a society, (2) **thrive** on pressure

Without investment, a business cannot **thrive**.

govern

v. to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services

synonym: control, rule, preside

(1) a nation's right to **govern**, (2) **govern** a public enterprise

The regulations **governing** medical malpractice claims are rigorous.

innovation

n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation

synonym : invention, initiation, creation

(1) **innovation** leader, (2) cutting-edge **innovation**

The vegetarian burger was an **innovation** that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.

digit

n. one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe

synonym : number, integer, numeral

(1) **digit** identifier, (2) the **digit** in the hundreds place

We must enter a six- **digit** number to unlock the safe.

platform

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

synonym : stage, podium, forum

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

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

backbone

n. the spinal column of a vertebrate; a symbolic representation of strength and resilience

synonym : spine, courage, fortitude

(1) **backbone** of society, (2) **backbone** curve

She showed great **backbone** when standing up for her beliefs in opposition.

database

n. a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

(1) **database** administrator, (2) employee **database**

Each country's officials can access the central **database**.

operate

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

synonym : work, use, employ

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

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

harmony

n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

synonym : balance, accord, congruence

(1) a **harmony** of colors, (2) break a **harmony**

We worked in perfect **harmony**.

elect

v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something

synonym : select, choose, prefer

(1) **elect** the school board, (2) **elect** death

Every five years, the provincial governors are **elected**.

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.

tower

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

synonym : building, belfry, edifice

(1) a bell **tower**, (2) the **tower** on a cliff

She is a **tower** of strength for our team in trouble.

chief

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

synonym : essential, primary, leading

(1) **chief** accountant, (2) **chief** events of the year

Mining is a **chief** source of income for the country.

trillion

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

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

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

sector

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

synonym : division, department, branch

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

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

adapt

v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

synonym : adjust, acclimate, accustom

(1) **adapt** fully to the environment, (2) **adapt** as needed

I advised him to **adapt** to his new surroundings.

tackle

v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation

synonym : deal with, dive into, work on

(1) **tackle** the issue, (2) help **tackle** climate change

The government is determined to **tackle** sharp inflation.

upload

v. to transfer digital data or files from a local computer or device to a remote server or network; the act of transferring such data or files

synonym : transfer, load up

(1) **upload** files, (2) **upload** documents to the portal

I need to **upload** these pictures to my computer to edit them.

certificate

n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true

synonym : diploma, credential, certification

(1) official score **certificate**, (2) a birth **certificate**

He received a **certificate** in computer programming from the local college.

convert

v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

synonym : alter, remake, transform

(1) **convert** fat into energy, (2) **convert** base 10 to base 16

I want to **convert** my sadness into strength.

relevance

n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand

synonym: pertinence, applicability, connection

(1) have no **relevance**, (2) **relevance** category

The **relevance** of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.

government

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

synonym: administration, regime, state

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

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

mechanism

n. a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction

synonym: means, method, system

(1) the **mechanism** for DNA replication, (2) defense **mechanism**

He discovered unique **mechanisms** for photochemical reactions.

modernize

v. to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system

synonym: develop, update, upgrade

(1) **modernize** infrastructure, (2) **modernize** agriculture

The company plans to **modernize** its outdated technology and software to improve efficiency.

submit

v. to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration

synonym: hand in, present, propose

(1) agree to **submit** the bill, (2) **submit** an application

Please **submit** the assignment to me.

integrate

v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

synonym : mix, merge, combine

(1) **integrate** into the existing system, (2) **integrate** both businesses

He found that it is difficult to **integrate** socially.

automatic

adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control

synonym : mechanical, robotic, intuitive

(1) **automatic** operation, (2) the **automatic** shrinking of the pupils

In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an **automatic** pilot during cruising.

appointment

n. a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility

synonym : assignment, selection, commission

(1) **appointment** calendar, (2) take up an **appointment**

We had to reschedule the dentist's **appointment**.

talent

n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

synonym : endowment, aptitude, capability

(1) a person of diverse **talents**, (2) raw **talent**

Numerous great professional sports **talents** have come from this city.

crunch

n. a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation

synonym : crushing, snapping, crisis

(1) financial **crunch**, (2) a gas **crunch**

The **crunch** of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.

inefficient

adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.

synonym : ineffective, counterproductive, inadequate

(1) **inefficient** use, (2) **inefficient** management

The system is still so **inefficient** that it is useless.

harmless

adj. not able or not likely to cause damage or harm

synonym : benign, innocuous, inoffensive

(1) **harmless** in most people, (2) **harmless** substances

Most people thought of him as a **harmless** eccentric.

bureaucracy

n. a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives

synonym : administration, government, system

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

The bumbling **bureaucracy** made it difficult to get the permits we needed.

capture

v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape

synonym : catch, arrest, imprison

(1) **capture** a glimpse, (2) **capture** customers' hearts

I was able to **capture** the moment on film.

authentic

adj. known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy

synonym : genuine, bona fide, original

(1) an **authentic** signature, (2) the sets were meticulously **authentic**

The stages of the play were meticulously **authentic**

resident

n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place

synonym : dweller, inhabitant, inhabitant

(1) a **resident** of the city, (2) **resident** tax

Visa renewal for **resident** foreigners in this country is once every five years.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. un_____ar clothing | <i>n.</i> clothes worn next to the skin under outer clothes |
| 2. ap_____e a measures | <i>v.</i> to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc. |
| 3. private se____r | <i>n.</i> a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity |
| 4. cu_____y arrangement | <i>n.</i> the state of being physically responsible for something or someone, especially a child; a state of being confined, usually for a short time |
| 5. in_____te both businesses | <i>v.</i> to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups |
| 6. false cl__m | <i>v.</i> to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true |
| 7. financial cr____h | <i>n.</i> a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation |
| 8. em____y a new method | <i>v.</i> to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of |

ANSWERS: 1. underwear, 2. approve, 3. sector, 4. custody, 5. integrate, 6. claim, 7. crunch, 8. employ

9. de_____cy advocate *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
10. au_____ic operation *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
11. an arrival pl_____rm *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed
12. ch__f accountant *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
13. mo_____ze agriculture *v.* to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system
14. spe_____ze in child care *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
15. un_____ge substance abuse *adj.* below the legal age for a particular activity or behavior, often specifically referring to activities such as drinking, smoking, or voting
16. drive a we__e into a relationship *n.* a piece of wood, metal, or other material with one thick end and a narrow edge that is driven between two things or parts of objects to secure or separate them
17. health in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

ANSWERS: 9. democracy, 10. automatic, 11. platform, 12. chief, 13. modernize, 14.

specialize, 15. underage, 16. wedge, 17. index

18. imm_____on application *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
19. re_____te with a new job *v.* to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there
20. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
21. occ_____on of a building *n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
22. ine_____nt management *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
23. decision-making pr_____s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
24. de_____p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
25. sc___e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
26. get into the lu____y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things

ANSWERS: 18. immigration, 19. relocate, 20. innovation, 21. occupation, 22. inefficient, 23. process, 24. develop, 25. scare, 26. luxury

27. an op_____ne remark *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
28. travel des_____on *n.* the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
29. eco_____al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
30. global re_____e crisis *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
31. ed_____ed adult *adj.* having received a high standard of education
32. immune fu_____on *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
33. tr_____rm heat into power *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
34. unanimously ap_____e a resolution *v.* to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

ANSWERS: 27. opportune, 28. destination, 29. economical, 30. refugee, 31. educated, 32. function, 33. transform, 34. approve

35. lu___y hotel *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
36. romantic des_____ons *n.* the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
37. el__t death *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
38. em_____y staff *n.* the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based
39. have no re_____ce *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
40. op_____e 24 hours a day *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
41. a private ind_____al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
42. reg_____ss of the difficulties *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
43. defense me_____sm *n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
44. take a person into cu_____y *n.* the state of being physically responsible for something or someone, especially a child; a state of being confined, usually for a short time

ANSWERS: 35. luxury, 36. destination, 37. elect, 38. embassy, 39. relevance, 40. operate, 41. individual, 42. regardless, 43. mechanism, 44. custody

45. ind_____al freedom *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
46. in_____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
47. di__t identifier *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
48. ba_____ne curve *n.* the spinal column of a vertebrate; a symbolic representation of strength and resilience
49. a ha_____y of colors *n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
50. a minor f__w *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
51. a circular mo_____nt *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
52. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
53. f__d a river *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across

ANSWERS: 45. individual, 46. indicate, 47. digit, 48. backbone, 49. harmony, 50. flaw, 51. movement, 52. tower, 53. ford

54. ad__t fully to the environment *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
55. de___n for investigation *v.* to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
56. health po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
57. cl___m responsibility *v.* to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
58. di____l electronic signature *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
59. manually op_____e a machine *v.* to work in a particular way; to supervise something
60. th___e in a society *v.* to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
61. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
62. principles of de_____cy *n.* a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so

ANSWERS: 54. adapt, 55. detain, 56. policy, 57. claim, 58. digital, 59. operate, 60. thrive, 61. tower, 62. democracy

63. bu___n of disease *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
64. express my ap_____al *n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable
65. high st__k *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
66. a nation's right to go___n *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
67. ba_____ne of society *n.* the spinal column of a vertebrate; a symbolic representation of strength and resilience
68. up___d files *v.* to transfer digital data or files from a local computer or device to a remote server or network; the act of transferring such data or files
69. driverless aut_____le *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
70. a re_____nt of the city *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
71. da_____se administrator *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

ANSWERS: 63. burden, 64. approval, 65. stack, 66. govern, 67. backbone, 68. upload, 69. automobile, 70. resident, 71. database

72. improve social mo____ty *n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
73. seem like a da____ng task *adj.* looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something
74. imm____on control *n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
75. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
76. pa____rt document *n.* an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel
77. tr____er power *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
78. child we____e *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
79. the au____ic shrinking of the pupils *adj.* able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
80. re____nt tax *n.* a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
81. self-int____ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 72. mobility, 73. daunting, 74. immigration, 75. spark, 76. passport, 77. transfer, 78. welfare, 79. automatic, 80. resident, 81. introduction

82. re_____ce category *n.* the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
83. ec_____y of scale *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
84. ch__f events of the year *adj.* most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
85. take up an app_____nt *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
86. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
87. the sets were meticulously au_____ic *adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
88. high r__k *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
89. ex___d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
90. ex___d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
91. cro_____der cooperation *adj.* relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border

ANSWERS: 82. relevance, 83. economy, 84. chief, 85. appointment, 86. eventually, 87. authentic, 88. rank, 89. expand, 90. expand, 91. cross-border

92. the f__w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
93. carry a bu___n *n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
94. un_____ge smoking *adj.* below the legal age for a particular activity or behavior, often specifically referring to activities such as drinking, smoking, or voting
95. po_____t of the poor *adj.* having the least wealth or resources
96. history of hu_____nd *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
97. break a ha_____y *n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
98. re_____te a company *v.* to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there
99. ir__y humor *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
100. ca_____e customers' hearts *v.* to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
101. fu_____on properly *n.* the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose

ANSWERS: 92. flaw, 93. burden, 94. underage, 95. poorest, 96. humankind, 97.

harmony, 98. relocate, 99. irony, 100. capture, 101. function

102. spe_____ze in market research *v.* to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
103. mo___n poetry *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
104. de___n a terrorist *v.* to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
105. aff_____le housing *adj.* not expensive and able to pay
106. cro_____der relations *adj.* relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border
107. many tr_____ons of dollars *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
108. 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
109. foreign po___y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
110. principles of un_____al design *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone

ANSWERS: 102. specialize, 103. modern, 104. detain, 105. affordable, 106. cross-border, 107. trillion, 108. process, 109. policy, 110. universal

111. a person of diverse ta___ts	<i>n.</i> a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
112. com_____ty theory	<i>n.</i> the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
113. ac_____te measurements	<i>adj.</i> correct and exact in all details
114. lack in mo_____ty	<i>n.</i> the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
115. th___e on pressure	<i>v.</i> to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
116. ha_____ss substances	<i>adj.</i> not able or not likely to cause damage or harm
117. enable se_____ss access	<i>adj.</i> without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
118. ine_____nt use	<i>adj.</i> lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
119. gov_____nt bureaucracy	<i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state
120. the me_____sm for DNA replication	<i>n.</i> a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
121. ca_____e a glimpse	<i>v.</i> to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
122. information ba_____r	<i>n.</i> a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

ANSWERS: 111. talent, 112. complexity, 113. accurate, 114. mobility, 115. thrive, 116. harmless, 117. seamless, 118. inefficient, 119. government, 120. mechanism, 121. capture, 122. barrier

123. aut_____le insurance *n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
124. mistaken id_____ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
125. tr_____rm an education system *v.* to change in outward structure or looks;
126. mi_____l amount *adj.* tiny in amount; the least possible
127. the movement of mi_____t birds *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
128. mo_____ze infrastructure *v.* to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system
129. el__t the school board *v.* to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
130. app_____nt calendar *n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
131. reg_____ss tread *adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties

ANSWERS: 123. automobile, 124. identity, 125. transform, 126. minimal, 127. migrant, 128. modernize, 129. elect, 130. appointment, 131. regardless

132. binational ac___d *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
133. the di__t in the hundreds place *n.* one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe
134. un_____al life *adj.* existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
135. pre-mo___n agricultural society *adj.* of or belonging to the present time or recent times
136. work v__a *n.* an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
137. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
138. a birth cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
139. co_____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
140. pa_____rt renewal *n.* an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel
141. dr_____ul accident *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear

ANSWERS: 132. accord, 133. digit, 134. universal, 135. modern, 136. visa, 137. innovation, 138. certificate, 139. construct, 140. passport, 141. dreadful

142. tec_____cal policy *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
143. co_____t base 10 to base 16 *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
144. bitter ir__y *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
145. int_____ion education *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market
146. employee da_____se *n.* a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily
147. in_____te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
148. tr_____er a file *v.* to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another
149. up___d documents to the portal *v.* to transfer digital data or files from a local computer or device to a remote server or network; the act of transferring such data or files
150. hu_____nd as a species *n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth

ANSWERS: 142. technological, 143. convert, 144. irony, 145. introduction, 146. database, 147. indicate, 148. transfer, 149. upload, 150. humankind

151. a gear change le__r *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
152. occ_____on disease *n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
153. sc__e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
154. a large st__k of paper *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
155. em_____y function *n.* the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based
156. official score cer_____te *n.* an official document stating that the information contained within is true
157. dr_____ul news *adj.* very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear
158. ec_____y class *n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel
159. fr_____on force *n.* the force that opposes motion between two objects in contact, especially by producing heat and wear, and is proportional to the normal force between the objects

ANSWERS: 151. lever, 152. occupation, 153. scare, 154. stack, 155. embassy, 156. certificate, 157. dreadful, 158. economy, 159. friction

160. tr_____on cubic feet *n.* the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
161. industrial se____r *n.* a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
162. tec_____cal advancement *adj.* based on scientific and industrial progress
163. agree to su____t the bill *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
164. ta____e the issue *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
165. an au_____ic signature *adj.* known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
166. face the da_____ng reality *adj.* looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something
167. help ta____e climate change *v.* to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
168. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
169. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
170. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise *n.* the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 160. trillion, 161. sector, 162. technological, 163. submit, 164. tackle, 165. authentic, 166. daunting, 167. tackle, 168. complexity, 169. spark, 170. platform

171. surface fr____on *n.* the force that opposes motion between two objects in contact, especially by producing heat and wear, and is proportional to the normal force between the objects
172. a di____l watch *adj.* processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
173. student v__a *n.* an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
174. su____t an application *v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
175. gov____nt funding *n.* the group of people with authority to control a country or state
176. em____y job seekers *v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
177. de____p a skill *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
178. ad__t as needed *v.* to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment

ANSWERS: 171. friction, 172. digital, 173. visa, 174. submit, 175. government, 176. employ, 177. develop, 178. adapt

179. government bur_____cy *n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
180. mi_____l effort *adj.* tiny in amount; the least possible
181. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
182. an eco_____al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
183. in_____te into the existing system *v.* to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups
184. arbitrary bur_____cy *n.* a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
185. men's un_____ar *n.* clothes worn next to the skin under outer clothes
186. ed_____ed speech *adj.* having received a high standard of education
187. increase sl_____ly *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
188. r__k amateur *n.* a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
189. co_____t fat into energy *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action

ANSWERS: 179. bureaucracy, 180. minimal, 181. construct, 182. economical, 183. integrate, 184. bureaucracy, 185. underwear, 186. educated, 187. slightly, 188. rank, 189. convert

190. id____ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
191. a consensual di____e *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
192. tim_____ing process *adj.* requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete
193. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
194. a we_____e state *n.* the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
195. mi_____t worker *n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
196. mo_____nt of troops *n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
197. le__r for reform *n.* a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
198. ha_____ss in most people *adj.* not able or not likely to cause damage or harm
199. provide ac_____te information *adj.* correct and exact in all details

ANSWERS: 190. identity, 191. divorce, 192. time-consuming, 193. eventually, 194. welfare, 195. migrant, 196. movement, 197. lever, 198. harmless, 199. accurate

200. go___n a public enterprise *v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
201. get ins_____on from nature *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
202. po_____t area *adj.* having the least wealth or resources
203. di_____e settlement *n.* the legal dissolution of a marriage
204. source of ins_____on *n.* something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity
205. across a f__d *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
206. a written ap_____al *n.* the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable
207. put a we__e under the door *n.* a piece of wood, metal, or other material with one thick end and a narrow edge that is driven between two things or parts of objects to secure or separate them
208. take ad_____ge of his weak points *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has

ANSWERS: 200. govern, 201. inspiration, 202. poorest, 203. divorce, 204. inspiration, 205. ford, 206. approval, 207. wedge, 208. advantage

209. cost ba____r *n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective
210. the re____e camp *n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
211. score an ad____ge *n.* a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
212. sl____ly alkaline soils *adv.* in a small degree or extent; a little
213. tim_____ing project *adj.* requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete
214. op____ne occasion *adj.* suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
215. se____ss device connectivity *adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
216. a full-text in__x *n.* a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index
217. raw ta____t *n.* a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

ANSWERS: 209. barrier, 210. refugee, 211. advantage, 212. slightly, 213. time-consuming, 214. opportune, 215. seamless, 216. index, 217. talent

218. ac___d with public opinion *n.* an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.; (verb) allow to have
219. a gas cr___h *n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
220. aff_____le solution *adj.* not expensive and able to pay

ANSWERS: 218. accord, 219. crunch, 220. affordable

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. The _____ between the two countries was causing tension.
n. the force that opposes motion between two objects in contact, especially by producing heat and wear, and is proportional to the normal force between the objects
2. Visa renewal for _____ foreigners in this country is once every five years.
n. a person who lives in a particular place or has their home in a place
3. The restaurant has chefs who _____ in beef.
v. to become an expert in a specific career field, study, or business
4. Most people thought of him as a _____ eccentric.
adj. not able or not likely to cause damage or harm
5. The government is determined to _____ sharp inflation.
v. to try to deal with a complex problem or situation
6. 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
7. Numerous great professional sports _____ have come from this city.
n. a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something

ANSWERS: 1. friction, 2. resident, 3. specialize, 4. harmless, 5. tackle, 6. policy, 7. talents

8. The community warmly welcomed the _____.
- n.* a displaced person who has crossed national borders and who cannot or is unwilling to return home due to political, religious, or economic reasons or because of a war
9. Please _____ the assignment to me.
- v.* to give or offer a document, proposal, etc. to a decision-maker for examination or consideration
10. I need to _____ these pictures to my computer to edit them.
- v.* to transfer digital data or files from a local computer or device to a remote server or network; the act of transferring such data or files
11. The _____ of the dancers on stage was graceful and elegant.
- n.* a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively
12. We had to reschedule the dentist's _____.
- n.* a formal arrangement to meet someone at a particular time and place, especially for a reason connected with their work; the act of putting a person into a job or position of responsibility
13. On the geological time scale, _____ has existed for a brief moment.
- n.* the whole of the living human inhabitants of the earth
14. The police placed a _____ across the street to halt traffic.
- n.* a fence or other obstruction that makes it hard to move or get in; any condition that makes it difficult to make progress or to achieve an objective

ANSWERS: 8. refugees, 9. submit, 10. upload, 11. movement, 12. appointment, 13. humankind, 14. barrier

15. He received a _____ in computer programming from the local college.
n. an official document stating that the information contained within is true
16. The process was carried out at _____ cost.
adj. tiny in amount; the least possible
17. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.
v. to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
18. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
19. The _____ of this information to the current situation needs to be investigated.
n. the state or degree of being closely connected or appropriate to the matter at hand
20. The _____ countries in the world often have the highest rates of malnutrition.
adj. having the least wealth or resources
21. This project took a lot of time to get the president's _____.
n. the belief that someone or something is good or acceptable
22. Every five years, the provincial governors are _____.
v. to choose someone for a specific position by voting for them; to decide or choose to do something
23. After a lengthy court battle, the child's _____ was granted to the father.
n. the state of being physically responsible for something or someone, especially a child; a state of being confined, usually for a short time

ANSWERS: 15. certificate, 16. minimal, 17. constructs, 18. complexity, 19. relevance, 20. poorest, 21. approval, 22. elected, 23. custody

24. One of the main _____ of the new product is its increased efficiency.
n. a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
25. He was promoted to the _____ of captain in the military.
n. a position in a hierarchy of status or authority; (verb) to take or have a position relative to others
26. The federal _____ is planning to increase taxes for the next fiscal year.
n. the group of people with authority to control a country or state
27. _____ often entails inclusive capitalism as well.
n. a form of government in which the people have the authority to deliberate and decide legislation, or to choose governing officials to do so
28. Even the slightest design _____ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.
n. a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
29. He moved his body _____ to the left.
adv. in a small degree or extent; a little
30. In passenger aircraft, it is common to use an _____ pilot during cruising.
adj. able to work or operate with little or no direct human control; independent of external control
31. The conditions of the prison were _____ and inhumane.
adj. very bad, unpleasant, or causing fear
32. Each country's officials can access the central _____.
n. a large amount of data stored in a computer system in such a way that it can be searched and updated easily

ANSWERS: 24. advantages, 25. rank, 26. government, 27. Democracy, 28. flaw, 29. slightly, 30. automatic, 31. dreadful, 32. database

33. I am excited to reach my _____ and explore the new city finally.
n. the place to which someone or something is going or being sent; the ultimate purpose or goal of a journey or action
34. His anti-_____ practices were quite strict.
n. a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
35. Carrying a valid _____ is mandatory when traveling to most foreign countries.
n. an official document issued by a government used to verify the identity and nationality of a person for international travel
36. I want to _____ my sadness into strength.
v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
37. My homework was _____ and complex, but it was also intriguing.
adj. looking challenging to manage in prospect; making someone anxious and less confident about carrying out something
38. Sensors convert physical phenomena into _____ signals.
adj. processing or storing information as a succession of 1 and 0 to show that a signal is present or missing; relating to the use of computer technology, especially the internet
39. The speaker mounted the _____ and started to speak.
n. the raised flat space close to the track at a train station where passengers get on or off the train; (technology) a computational or digital environment in which a piece of software is executed

ANSWERS: 33. destination, 34. luxury, 35. passport, 36. convert, 37. daunting, 38. digital, 39. platform

40. Serving alcohol to _____ customers is illegal and can have severe consequences for the establishment.

adj. below the legal age for a particular activity or behavior, often specifically referring to activities such as drinking, smoking, or voting

41. We must enter a six-_____ number to unlock the safe.

n. one of the elements that collectively form a system of numeration; a finger, thumb, or toe

42. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.

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

43. My father's death _____ my life completely.

v. to change in outward structure or looks;

44. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

45. I want to buy new winter _____ because mine have holes in them.

n. clothes worn next to the skin under outer clothes

46. My boss wouldn't _____ of the plan.

v. to think that someone or something is favorable, acceptable, or appropriate; to officially accept a plan, request, etc.

47. The official transcript contains _____ academic records.

adj. correct and exact in all details

ANSWERS: 40. underage, 41. digit, 42. eventually, 43. transformed, 44. Technological, 45. underwear, 46. approve, 47. accurate

48. I advised him to _____ to his new surroundings.
v. to make fit for or change to suit a new purpose or environment
49. The couple decided to get a _____ after many years of marriage.
n. the legal dissolution of a marriage
50. The phone rang at the most _____ time.
adj. suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
51. The two neighboring countries have a _____ trade agreement.
adj. relating to or involving movement, interaction, or communication between different countries or regions, especially those that share a common border
52. He wants to _____ ownership of the abandoned property.
v. to assert that something is true; to demand or request something as one's own; to lay legal or moral right to something; (noun) a demand or assertion of a right or something that one believes to be true
53. The university _____ to campuses several miles away.
v. to move or move something or someone to a new place and build a house or a business there
54. Mining is a _____ source of income for the country.
adj. most important or primary; (noun) a person who is in charge
55. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.
n. the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million

ANSWERS: 48. adapt, 49. divorce, 50. opportune, 51. cross-border, 52. claim, 53. relocated, 54. chief, 55. trillion

56. 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
57. She showed great _____ when standing up for her beliefs in opposition.
- n.* the spinal column of a vertebrate; a symbolic representation of strength and resilience
58. The _____ industry is a major contributor to air pollution in cities.
- n.* a road vehicle that has four wheels and is powered by an engine, used for transporting people or goods
59. I have limited _____ in my arms.
- n.* the ability to move or be moved freely or easily from one place, job, or social class to another
60. He discovered unique _____ for photochemical reactions.
- n.* a part of a machine, or a set of parts that performs a task; a natural or established process that occurs during a specific situation or reaction
61. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
- n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
62. The police stopped the suspicious person and asked him to give his name, address, and _____.
- n.* a person's job or profession; the act of taking possession
63. We worked in perfect _____.
- n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties

ANSWERS: 56. individual, 57. backbone, 58. automobile, 59. mobility, 60. mechanisms, 61. innovation, 62. occupation, 63. harmony

64. 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
65. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.
- v.* to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
66. The government revoked his license to employ _____ labor crews.
- n.* a traveler who moves from one region or country to another, especially to find work or better living conditions; a bird or an animal that moves from one place to another
67. The automaker has been providing _____ car financing options since last year.
- adj.* not expensive and able to pay
68. The _____ policy in this country is stringent, making it difficult for many people to obtain a visa.
- n.* the act or process of coming to live permanently in a foreign country
69. Writing a research paper can be a _____ task.
- adj.* requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete
70. He inserted the _____ into a split in the log.
- n.* a piece of wood, metal, or other material with one thick end and a narrow edge that is driven between two things or parts of objects to secure or separate them
71. The _____ to the new class was informative and engaging.
- n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 64. process, 65. employ, 66. migrant, 67. affordable, 68. immigration, 69. time-consuming, 70. wedge, 71. introduction

72. The regulations _____ medical malpractice claims are rigorous.
- v.* to legally control and direct a country, city, group of people, etc. and be responsible for introducing new laws, organizing and maintaining public services
73. The _____ of the leaves underfoot was heard as they walked through the park.
- n.* a loud, crackling noise made by something being crushed or broken; a difficult or critical situation
74. That car has a low environmental _____.
- n.* a duty, responsibility, etc. that is oppressive or worrisome; a load, typically a heavy one that is difficult to carry
75. People can pick out superior products _____ of the quality of the advertising.
- adv.* not paying attention or considering something or someone even if the situation is bad or there are difficulties
76. The service was _____ and the food was quite delicious.
- adj.* without spaces or breaks between one part and the next
77. 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
78. The _____ of the country is struggling due to the recent political instability.
- n.* the system by which a country or region produces manages, and distributes goods and services, including the money and finances involved in these activities; (of an airline) the lowest-priced, most basic option for seating in commercial travel

ANSWERS: 72. governing, 73. crunch, 74. burden, 75. regardless, 76. seamless, 77. stack, 78. economy

79. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.
v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
80. The system is still so _____ that it is useless.
adj. lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
81. The river was too deep to cross, so we had to find a _____ downstream where the water was shallower.
n. a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
82. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.
v. to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
83. The technology _____ is constantly evolving and innovating.
n. a distinct part or division of something often used to refer to a segment of an economy or industry; an area or field of work or activity
84. The picture earned near-_____ acclaim from critics.
adj. existing or affecting everywhere or everyone
85. Excellent speech is a characteristic of an _____ man.
adj. having received a high standard of education
86. The stock market _____ measures the performance of a group of stocks.
n. a list of items, such as names, subjects, or keywords, that is arranged in a particular order and is usually found at the end of a book or document; a number or symbol that indicates the value or level of something, such as a stock index or a temperature index

ANSWERS: 79. sparked, 80. inefficient, 81. ford, 82. expand, 83. sector, 84. universal, 85. educated, 86. index

87. We hit the ground to _____ out the rabbits.

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened

88. She is a _____ of strength for our team in trouble.

n. a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone

89. She _____ the money from her savings account to her checking account.

v. to move, pass, or change from one person, place, or situation to another

90. He found _____ in the works of his favorite authors.

n. something that motivates or encourages someone to create or achieve something, or a feeling of excitement or creativity

91. The terrorist's _____ remains unknown.

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

92. The organization finally signed a peace _____.

n. an official agreement or treaty between two organizations, countries, etc.;
(verb) allow to have

93. The _____ of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.

n. the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect

94. It is more _____ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

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

ANSWERS: 87. scare, 88. tower, 89. transferred, 90. inspiration, 91. identity, 92. accord, 93. irony, 94. economical

95. I was able to _____ the moment on film.
- v. to catch a person or an animal and confine them in an area which they cannot escape
96. This machine is too difficult to _____ for me.
- v. to work in a particular way; to supervise something
97. The brain is an incredibly complex organ that controls the body's _____.
- n. the purpose or use of an object, system, or process; a particular activity or operation that is designed to serve a specific purpose; a mathematical concept that describes a relationship between two sets of values, called the input and output sets; (verb) to operate or work in a specific way, or to perform a particular task or purpose
98. This initiative will be a _____ for increasing company sales.
- n. a handle used to operate a vehicle or a machine; a rigid bar resting on a pivot so that one end of it can be pushed or pulled easily
99. The stages of the play were meticulously _____
- adj. known to be real and what people say it is; not a fake or copy
100. The bumbling _____ made it difficult to get the permits we needed.
- n. a system of government in which most of the important decisions are made by state officials rather than by elected representatives
101. The _____ building was heavily guarded by security personnel.
- n. the diplomatic building where a country's representatives to a foreign country are based
102. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.
- v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly

ANSWERS: 95. capture, 96. operate, 97. function, 98. lever, 99. authentic, 100. bureaucracy, 101. embassy, 102. indicates

103. Their headquarters are in a _____ skyscraper.
adj. of or belonging to the present time or recent times
104. The police _____ the suspect for questioning.
v. to keep someone in official custody; to prevent them from leaving
105. I must apply for a _____ to travel to India for my friend's wedding.
n. an endorsement or authorization placed in a passport or travel document that allows the holder to enter or leave a particular country for a specific period of time; the process of applying for and obtaining such authorization
106. The company plans to _____ its outdated technology and software to improve efficiency.
v. to bring up to date or make contemporary in style or function; to bring modern methods or resources into an existing organization or system
107. She struggled for years to survive without _____.
n. the general health, happiness, and prosperous of a person or group
108. Without investment, a business cannot _____.
v. to grow vigorously; to make steady progress
109. We must _____ a new system to streamline our workflow and increase efficiency.
v. to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
110. He found that it is difficult to _____ socially.
v. to combine one thing with another so that they form a whole or work together; to accept equal participation for members of all races and ethnic groups

ANSWERS: 103. modern, 104. detained, 105. visa, 106. modernize, 107. welfare, 108. thrive, 109. develop, 110. integrate

ANSWERS: