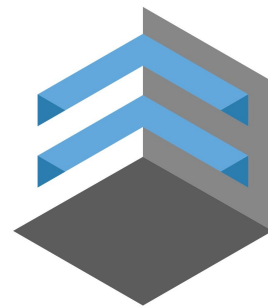


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Session 1: Word List

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym: choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**
Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

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.

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.

waive

v. to give up or relinquish a claim or right voluntarily; to refrain from insisting on or enforcing a requirement or

rule

synonym: forgo, relinquish, abstain

(1) **waive** the claim, (2) **waive** fees

The homeowners decided to **waive** the inspection fee for the interested buyers to make the sale smoother.

fee

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

synonym: charge, cost, expense

(1) **fee** calculation, (2) service **fee**

The lawyer's **fee** for the case was \$10,000.

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.

paycheck

n. a check issued to an employee as payment for work or services rendered; the amount of money received in this check

synonym: salary, earnings, income

(1) electronic **paycheck**, (2) monthly **paycheck**

I received a bonus on top of my regular **paycheck** this month.

distribute

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

synonym: broadcast, disperse, hand out

(1) **distribute** wealth evenly, (2) **distribute** video content

His estate was **distributed** to his sons.

stimulus

n. something that causes growth or arouses action

synonym: incitement, inspiration, motivation

(1) a response to a **stimulus**, (2) economic **stimulus**

This book provides children with ideas and a **stimulus** for

outside recreation.

outpouring

n. a sudden and abundant flow or expression of thoughts, feelings, emotion, or information; an overwhelming amount of something expressed in a short period of time

synonym: outflow, surge, torrent

(1) artistic **outpouring**, (2) emotional **outpouring**

The **outpouring** of support from the community was overwhelming after the tragic event.

generosity

n. the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

synonym: goodness, hospitality, unselfishness

(1) act of **generosity**, (2) boundless **generosity**

He is remembered for his **generosity** and civilization.

trend

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

synonym: direction, movement, tendency

(1) an international **trend**, (2) the **trend** away from television

The oil price continued their downward **trend**.

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.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **massive** amounts, (2) **massive** stars

The recent economic downturn has resulted in **massive** layoffs.

accelerate

v. to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

synonym: speed up, quicken, rev

(1) **accelerate** a chemical reaction, (2) **accelerate** the car

The government tried to **accelerate** the commercialization of this development.

commerce

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

synonym: trade, transaction, dealings

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

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

excite

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

synonym: thrill, exhilarate, animate

(1) **excite** the crowd, (2) **excite** rebellion

The news of her promotion **excited** her.

dive

v. to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

synonym: dip, leap, plunge

(1) **dive** into anime communities, (2) **dive** off a cliff

The sperm whale can **dive** to 1,000 meters.

arrival

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

synonym: reaching, appearance, coming

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

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

unemployed

adj. not having a job, although able to work

synonym: idle, inactive, jobless

(1) assignment for the **unemployed** youth, (2) people who are **unemployed**

My father was **unemployed** for so long.

statistics

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

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

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

circumstance

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

synonym: condition, context, environment

(1) **circumstance** of birth, (2) **circumstance** of injury

She explained the **circumstances** surrounding the accident.

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.

crisis

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

synonym: concern, problem, emergency

(1) financial **crisis**, (2) **crisis** management

The Chinese word for **crisis** comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

exposed

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

synonym: endangered, revealed, disclosed

(1) **exposed** to radiation, (2) an **exposed** rock

Tech companies often employ **exposed** ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

obvious

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

synonym: apparent, conspicuous, evident

(1) **obvious** reasons, (2) his conclusion was **obvious**

There are **obvious** differences between the two wine-producing regions.

ricochet

- v.* to rebound or deflect off a surface at an angle or series of angles, changing direction multiple times; to have a sudden and unintended effect or outcome; (noun) the motion of an object or a projectile that is deflected off a surface

synonym: bounce, rebound, spring

- (1) **ricochet** off the walls, (2) **ricochet** into a crowd

The police officer fired a warning shot that **ricocheted** off the pavement and hit a nearby car.

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.

psychology

- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

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

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

examine

- v.* to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

synonym: study, probe, analyze

- (1) **examine** the data studiously, (2) **examine** the issue

Initially, we must **examine** all project-related expenses.

phase

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

synonym: degree, stage, step

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

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

history.

instance

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

synonym: example, sample, illustration

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

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

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.

unnecessary

adj. not needed or required; not essential or important

synonym: redundant, extra, superfluous

(1) **unnecessary** expense, (2) **unnecessary** hassle

The extra steps in the process were deemed **unnecessary** and removed to streamline production.

ignore

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

synonym: neglect, disregard, shun

(1) **ignore** her advice, (2) **ignore** a ban

Since independence, the area has been completely **ignored**.

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.

transaction

n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

synonym: trade, dealing, commerce

(1) card with no foreign **transaction** fees, (2) **transaction**

balance

Electronic **transactions** remain incomplete due to system errors.

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.

transition

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

synonym: change, growth, shift

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

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

emerging

adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

synonym: arising, occurring, state-of-the-art

(1) **emerging** country, (2) **emerging** technologies

Emerging technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

continuous

adj. occurring or existing without a pause or interruption

synonym: ceaseless, regular, repeated

(1) **continuous** improvement, (2) a **continuous** row of warehouses

The heavy snow has been **continuous** since last morning.

telemedicine

n. the remote diagnosis and treatment of patients using telecommunications technology, such as video conferencing, phone calls, or messaging services

synonym: remote healthcare, online medicine, virtual care

(1) **telemedicine** consultation, (2) **telemedicine** technology
Due to the pandemic, many doctors have started offering **telemedicine** appointments.

retail

n. the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets

synonym: sales, trade, commerce

(1) **retail** store, (2) a **retail** dealer

The **retail** industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.

entertainment

n. public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

synonym: amusement, recreation, enjoyment

(1) an elegant **entertainment**, (2) hour of **entertainment**

The hotel is famous for its **entertainment**, including the casino.

currency

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

synonym: money, tender, cash

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

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

tremendous

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

(1) **tremendous** amount, (2) **tremendous** popularity

We had a **tremendous** time yesterday.

bold

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

synonym: brave, courageous, fearless

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

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

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.

demise

n. death or the end of something

synonym: death, passing, end

(1) **demise** of bureaucracy, (2) meet their **demise**

The sudden **demise** of the king was a shock to everyone and threw the kingdom into chaos.

acceleration

n. a rate of increase in velocity; the rate of change of velocity with respect to time

synonym: speed up, quicken, hastening

(1) a unit of **acceleration**, (2) **acceleration** of an object

The car's **acceleration** was impressive, going from 0 to 60 mph in just 5 seconds.

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.

advent

n. the arrival or beginning of something; the coming of Jesus Christ at his birth

synonym: coming, arrival, approach

(1) **advent** calendar, (2) celebrate the **advent** of spring

The **advent** of the internet has dramatically changed the way we communicate.

shift

n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend

synonym: transition, change, modification

(1) Doppler **shift**, (2) major paradigm **shift**

Could you help me **shift** some furniture?

impetus

- n.* a force, motivation, or stimulus that causes something to happen or be done; the driving force behind a particular action or change

synonym: stimulus, momentum, drive

- (1) political **impetus**, (2) technological **impetus**

Getting a raise at work was the **impetus** to start looking for a new place to live.

distance

- n.* the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

synonym: space, gap, span

- (1) driving **distance**, (2) social **distance**

The marathon runner covered a long **distance** in a short amount of time.

requirement

- n.* something that is needed or wanted

synonym: prerequisite, provision, condition

- (1) meet **requirement**, (2) school **requirement**

What is the entry **requirement** for this course?

cashier

- n.* an employee responsible for handling transactions, such as payments or returns, in a store or other business

synonym: teller, clerk

- (1) **cashier** position, (2) bank **cashier**

After working as a **cashier** for a few years, she was promoted to a managerial position within the grocery store.

consume

- v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

synonym: absorb, ingest, use up

- (1) **consume** a large of alcohol, (2) **consume** electricity

A smaller car will **consume** less fuel.

surge

- n.* a sudden and great increase of something, such as a feeling, the amount or number, etc.

synonym: rush, spate, deluge

(1) a **surge** of shoppers, (2) the **surge** in foreign tourism
She drowned her **surge** of anger through her creative work.

inclusive

adj. including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

synonym: cover-all, all-embracing, comprehensive

(1) a fully **inclusive** price, (2) **inclusive** education
The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its **inclusive** policy.

underserved

adj. inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services

(1) **underserved** market, (2) traditionally **underserved**
This area is medically **underserved**.

industrious

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

synonym: diligent, hardworking, assiduous

(1) **industrious** worker, (2) **industrious** student
He was known to be very **industrious** and would often work late into the night.

smartphone

n. a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

(1) **smartphone** app developer, (2) **smartphone** addict
Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of **smartphones**.

essential

adj. indispensable; fundamental

synonym: critical, crucial, basic

(1) **essential** amino acid, (2) **essential** commodities of life
Trial and error is an **essential** part of education.

unlock

v. to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key

synonym:

open, solve, unravel

(1) **unlock** a door with a key, (2) **unlock** value

The customs officer required the traveler to **unlock** his suitcase.

define

v. to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something

synonym: characterize, depict, express

(1) **define** a word, (2) **define** my position

To advance this discussion, we must **define** "success" rigorously.

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.

withstand

v. to resist the effect or impact of something

synonym: endure, bear, resist

(1) **withstand** pressure, (2) **withstand** temptation

The new phone is waterproof and can **withstand** being dropped in water.

shock

n. a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

synonym: amazement, surprise, stunner

(1) death from **shock**, (2) **shock-resistant**

He got an electric **shock** at work.

plummet

v. to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply

synonym: drop, plunge, fall

(1) **plummeting** sales, (2) **plummet** against other major currencies

The stock prices have **plummeted** in the last hour, causing

concern for investors.

ubiquitous

adj. being or existing everywhere at once

synonym: universal, omnipresent, everywhere

(1) **ubiquitous** computing, (2) **ubiquitous** across ecosystems

Sugar is **ubiquitous** in food.

penetration

n. the act or process of penetrating or entering something, often forcefully or with difficulty; the depth or extent to which something has been entered or understood

synonym: infiltration, entry, invasion

(1) **penetration** testing, (2) market **penetration**

The spy's mission was to gather intelligence on enemy territories through covert **penetration**.

device

n. a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

synonym: gadget, instrument, tool

(1) electronic **device**, (2) tracking **device**

I always carry a backup **device** in case my phone runs out of battery.

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.

desktop

n. a flat working surface or table that is usually placed on top of a desk, typically used for a computer or other work-related activities

synonym: computer, workstation, PC

(1) **desktop** software, (2) **desktop** wallpaper

I need to upgrade my **desktop** computer since it's become

quite slow.

afford

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

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

branch

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

synonym: limb, twig, bough

(1) **branch** office, (2) a **branch** pipe

The **branch** of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

palm

n. the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves

synonym: hand, fist

(1) the **palm** side of the forearm, (2) coconut **palm** trees

This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the **palm** of your hand.

traditionally

adv. in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way

synonym: conventionally, commonly, generally

(1) **traditionally** accepted concept, (2) **traditionally** sung at a banquet

Traditionally, the ceremony was held outdoors.

practically

adv. almost or nearly

synonym: almost, nearly, virtually

(1) **practically** constant, (2) **practically** impossible to find a parking spot

The store is **practically** empty.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym: susceptible, exposed, weak

(1) a **vulnerable** bridge, (2) **vulnerable** parts of the body
Infants and pregnant women are particularly **vulnerable**.

have-not

n. a person or group who lacks the necessities of life, such as adequate food, shelter, or economic resources, often contrasted with a "have" or someone who has abundance or wealth

synonym: pauper, destitute, indigent

(1) **have-not** countries, (2) **have-not** families
The **have-nots** in our society often struggle to afford necessities like healthcare and education.

creditor

n. a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

(1) the **creditor's** claims, (2) bankrupt **creditor**

I asked the lawyer to initiate **creditor** negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

evolve

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

synonym: develop, mature, grow

(1) **evolve**, (2) **evolve** over the past decade
Eyeless fish **evolved** in dark caves.

predominantly

adv. mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group

synonym: mostly, chiefly, largely

(1) **predominantly** rural, (2) **predominantly** Christian
The neighborhood is **predominantly** made up of young families with children.

associate

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

synonym: tie in, link, consociate

(1) **associate** alcohol with gambling, (2) **associate** with

people widely

The majority of consumers **associate** this brand with quality.

embedded

adj. fixed firmly into the surface of something

synonym: ingrained, implanted, inserted

(1) **embedded** systems, (2) LED- **embedded** glass

The **embedded** chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

outlay

n. an amount of money that is expended or spent, particularly on a specific project or purchase

synonym: expense, expenditure, cost

(1) **outlay** budget, (2) capital **outlay**

The **outlay** for the new marketing campaign was significant but worth it.

exceed

v. to surpass or go beyond a limit, expectation, or requirement; to be better or greater than anticipated or desired

synonym: surpass, outdo, excel

(1) **exceed** sales targets, (2) **exceed** the speed limit

The athlete's performance **exceeded** all expectations, breaking a world record.

intake

n. the act or process of taking food, air, etc., into your body through the mouth; the amount of food, air, or another substance that you take into your body

synonym: consumption, absorption, inhalation

(1) a small **intake** of breath, (2) an **intake** pipe

He has been advised to reduce his daily fat **intake**.

evenly

adv. in equal amounts or shares; in a balanced or impartial way

synonym: constantly, smoothly, equally

(1) **evenly** colored, (2) almost **evenly** divided

This product can spread the cement **evenly**.

outflow

n. the leakage of fluid from a container; a natural flow of groundwater

synonym: discharge, outpouring, gush

(1) **outflow** fluid, (2) **outflow** of capital

After the valves were closed, the **outflow** halted.

extend

v. to broaden in scope, range, or area

synonym: prolong, lengthen, advance

(1) **extend** the warranty, (2) **extend** a line

Her visit will **extend** from Monday to Friday.

handle

v. to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

synonym: control, manage, deal with

(1) **handle** a precious object, (2) **handled** the incident

We all should learn how to **handle** stress.

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.

bureau

n. an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information

synonym: agency, department, office

(1) **bureau** of statistics, (2) travel **bureau**

I went to the **bureau** of motor vehicles to renew my driver's license.

bias

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

synonym: inclination, partiality, predilection

(1) **bias** against a big company, (2) have a **bias** toward socialism

She researched gender **bias** in politics.

algorithm

n. a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation

synonym: logic, method, rule

(1) the RSA **algorithm**, (2) **algorithm** for image processing

We can evaluate the performance of an **algorithm** in terms of computation time.

provider

n. a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

synonym: supplier

(1) an information **provider**, (2) the **provider** of the family

People select Internet **providers** not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.

county

n. an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division

synonym: district, region, territory

(1) **county** seat, (2) throughout the **county**

The **county's** population has been increasing rapidly in recent years.

median

n. the value separating the higher half from the lower half of a set of values arranged in order of size

synonym: middle, center

(1) **median** age at diagnosis, (2) a **median** strip

Median annual income fell last year in this country.

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.

profitable

adj. making or likely to make material gain or profit

synonym: advantageous, beneficial, thriving

(1) a **profitable** job, (2) **profitable** trade

The Prohibition amendment made bootlegging **profitable**.

deposit

n. a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force

synonym: bank, installment, sedimentation

(1) **deposit** money, (2) **deposit** accumulation

I made a **deposit** at the bank to add money to my account.

communal

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

synonym: collaborative, combined, collective

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

Communal elections were held in several European countries.

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.

technological

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

synonym: specialized, technical

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

Technological advances have disrupted many industries.

critic

n. someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

synonym: pundit, analyst, attacker

(1) art **critic**, (2) severe **critic**

Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their **critics**.

amass

v. to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference

synonym: gather, collect, accumulate

(1) **amass** a patent portfolio, (2) **amass** followers

She had **amassed** a fortune through wise investments and shrewd business decisions.

influence

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

synonym: power, leverage, effect

(1) **influence** a child's future, (2) **influence** the daily life

The former emperor had a particular **influence** even after he abdicated.

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.

brand

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

synonym: trademark, label, symbol

(1) create a **brand** logo, (2) the **brand** of the new car

There's a new **brand** of hero in the movies now.

attribute

- v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;

synonym: ascribe, blame, (noun) feature

(1) **attribute** the change to their marriage, (2) **attribute** directly to sales

He **attributes** the disappointing results to the economic downturn.

privacy

- n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

synonym: seclusion, aloneness, solitariness

(1) **privacy** abuse, (2) trespass on a person's **privacy**

This conduct would be an invasion of **privacy**.

desire

- n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

synonym: ambition, appetite, greed

(1) unsatisfied **desire**, (2) fleshly **desire**

Low sexual **desire** typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

initially

- adv.* at the beginning; at first

synonym: originally, primarily, firstly

(1) **initially** anticipated, (2) diagnosed **initially** as a tumor

This train departed later than **initially** scheduled.

condense

- v.* to reduce the volume or size of something, often by removing water or other liquid; to make something shorter, more concise, or more concentrated

synonym: compress, compact, shorten

(1) **condense** the text, (2) **condense** water vapor

I need to **condense** all of my notes into a manageable summary for my presentation.

frame

- n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

synonym: body, skeleton, scaffolding

(1) a picture **frame**, (2) the **frame** of the policy

The detective looked for fingerprints on the window **frame**.

treasury

n. the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual

synonym: coffer, exchequer, bank

(1) **treasury** bonds, (2) **treasury** money

The protracted war nearly depleted the country's **treasury**.

administer

v. to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something

synonym: allocate, distribute, dispense

(1) **administer** justice, (2) **administer** the funds

After the accident, three governmental bodies **administer** the company.

volume

n. the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound

synonym: capacity, amount, intensity

(1) **volume** of work, (2) high **volume**

This container has a **volume** of 10 cubic meters.

tranche

n. a portion or segment of something, especially a financial investment that is divided or allocated according to a specific criterion or formula

synonym: portion, segment, slice

(1) large **tranche**, (2) **tranche** of debt

The latest **tranche** of funding will help the company expand its operations.

difficulty

n. a condition or state that causes problems

synonym: hardship, complication, problem

(1) the degree of **difficulty**, (2) **difficulty** in breathing

He has **difficulty** exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

percentage

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

synonym: rate, ratio, portion

(1) the **percentage** of the gold content, (2) a high

percentage

What is the **percentage** of the consumption tax in the United States?

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.

strait

n. a narrow stretch of water or sea connecting two larger bodies of water or seas

synonym: narrows, channel, passage

(1) **strait** passage, (2) **strait** channel

The ship navigated through the **strait** with great care.

ridiculous

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

synonym: absurd, fatuous, foolish

(1) a **ridiculous** amount of money, (2) a **ridiculous** suggestion

Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as **ridiculous** but was later proven correct.

locate

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

synonym: discover, find, place

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

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

sheltered

adj. protected or shielded from danger or harmful influences; inexperienced or innocent of certain unpleasantness or harsh realities of life

synonym: protected, secure, guarded

(1) **sheltered** life, (2) **sheltered** housing

The birds found **sheltered** spots in the trees to avoid the rain.

electron

n. a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge

synonym: negatron

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

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

apologize

v. to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem

synonym: excuse, justify, atone

(1) **apologize** for being late, (2) **apologize** ahead of time

I **apologize** for neglecting your email.

advance

v. to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

synonym: progress, boost, come along

(1) **advance** the technology, (2) **advance** a cooperative relationship

Scientific knowledge will **advance** significantly with the power of AI.

pronounce

v. to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way

synonym: articulate, enunciate, voice

(1) **pronounce** a judgment, (2) **pronounce** a name

She struggled to **pronounce** the word in a foreign language.

surveillance

n. the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected

synonym: administration, overseeing, control

(1) he is kept under **surveillance**, (2) **surveillance** cameras

The novel contains a criticism of the **surveillance** society.

incredibly

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

synonym: enormously, exceptionally, extraordinarily

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

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

degree

n. a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

synonym: level, qualification, diploma

(1) bachelor's **degree**, (2) **degree** centigrade

She received her **degree** in psychology from the university.

cybersecurity

n. the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction

synonym: information security, cyber protection

(1) **cybersecurity** threat, (2) **cybersecurity** measures

As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, **cybersecurity** awareness and education become even more important

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.

credential

v. to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of

certain stated facts

synonym: certify, verify, (noun) certificate

- (1) **credential** themselves by showing their registration,
(2) teaching **credential**

To get the job, I need to **credential** my experience and education.

combination

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

synonym: blend, hybrid, compounding

- (1) genic **combinations**, (2) **combination** number

The **combination** to the safe was a secret.

sacrosanct

adj. considered to be holy and deserving of respect and reverence

synonym: sacred, inviolable, holy

- (1) **sacrosanct** tradition, (2) **sacrosanct** belief

The tradition of the annual family reunion is **sacrosanct** and must be upheld.

balance

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

synonym: equilibrium, counterpoise, remainder

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

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

mention

v. to speak or write about something or someone briefly

synonym: reference, allude, cite

- (1) **mention** name, (2) **mention** in a report

I **mentioned** to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.

firm

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition;

reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

synonym: stable, secure, steadfast

(1) **firm** grip, (2) accounting **firm**

The **firm** deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

conviction

n. a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed

synonym: belief, certainty, faith

(1) moral **conviction**, (2) **conviction** for murder

She spoke with **conviction** about the importance of education.

blockchain

n. a system in which a growing list of payment records, called blocks, made in cryptocurrency is maintained across several computers that are securely linked

(1) **blockchain** platform, (2) the scalability of **blockchain**

Cryptocurrencies are only one form of implementation of **blockchain** technology.

stable

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

synonym: sturdy, unmoving, durable

(1) in **stable** condition, (2) have a **stable** job

Relations between the two countries have been relatively **stable** due to the summit meeting.

stability

n. the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast

synonym: resilience, solidity, steadiness

(1) **stability** pact, (2) fiscal **stability** pact

The policy should increase the country's monetary **stability**.

fluctuate

- v.* to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably

synonym: vary, oscillate, sway

- (1) **fluctuate** prices, (2) **fluctuate** rapidly

Stock prices **fluctuate** daily based on market demand and supply.

transact

- v.* to carry out or conduct a business or other transaction; to complete or fulfill an agreement, deal, or contract

synonym: conduct, carry out, perform

- (1) **transact** internationally, (2) **transact** in cash

I need to **transact** some business at the bank before it closes.

merchant

- n.* a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods

synonym: dealer, trader, retailer

- (1) **merchant** bank, (2) agricultural **merchant**

This shipping company has several hundred **merchant** ships.

efficiently

- adv.* in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense

synonym: expeditiously, skillfully, ably

- (1) **efficiently** combined, (2) develop software more **efficiently**

We can resolve support requests quickly and **efficiently** by utilization of AI.

feat

- n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

synonym: achievement, accomplishment, exploit

- (1) intellectual **feat**, (2) **feat** accomplishment

It is an incredible **feat** to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

tab

- n.* a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word

processor that causes a tabulation; a bill

synonym: tag, label, marker

(1) split a dinner **tab**, (2) open a **tab**

He kept a **tab** on his expenses by writing them down in a notebook.

episode

n. a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness

synonym: event, chapter, seizure

(1) end of the first **episode**, (2) **episode** of vertigo

I want to put that **episode** of my life behind me.

calculate

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

synonym: compute, figure, estimate

(1) **calculate** the distance, (2) **calculate** his credit score

He couldn't **calculate** the actual value of the artwork.

wage

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

synonym: payment, compensation, salary

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

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

fin

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

synonym: flipper, appendage, stabilizer

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

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

wreak

v. to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events

synonym: cause, inflict, bring about

(1) **wreak** a lot of changes, (2) **wreak** further damage

The virus has **wreaked** havoc on the healthcare system, overwhelming hospitals and causing shortages of supplies.

havoc

n. widespread destruction or devastation, often caused by natural disasters, war, or other violent events

synonym: destruction, devastation, ruin

(1) cause **havoc**, (2) play **havoc** in the mind

The storm wreaked **havoc** on the town, causing widespread damage and power outages.

unfortunately

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

synonym: regrettably, unluckily, alas

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

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

personnel

n. a group of people who are employed in an organization or one of the armed forces; the department responsible for hiring, training, and placing employees

synonym: workforce, staff, labor force

(1) competent **personnel**, (2) **personnel** evaluation

Please forward the resumes to the **personnel** department.

unacceptably

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

synonym: improperly, unsatisfactorily, inadequately

(1) **unacceptably** high prices, (2) **unacceptably** poor

The restaurant's service was **unacceptably** slow.

responsible

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

synonym: accountable, answerable, liable

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

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

corporation

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

synonym: business, company, enterprise

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

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

stakeholder

n. a person or group that has an interest or concern in something, especially a business

synonym: shareholder, interested party

(1) **stakeholder** engagement, (2) improve **stakeholder** relations

The organization held **stakeholder** consultations to gather input on the project.

satisfy

v. to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

synonym: please, amuse, meet

(1) **satisfy** a desire, (2) **satisfy** a user's needs

Did this response **satisfy** your request?

regulator

n. a person or thing that controls or balances something; a person or an organization that is responsible for control and supervision of a particular activity or area of public interest

synonym: controller, supervisor, monitor

(1) **regulator** body, (2) a speed **regulator**

The financial industry **regulator** was responsible for ensuring that companies followed the laws.

shareholder

n. a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

synonym: stockholder, shareowner, investor

(1) the **shareholder's** meeting, (2) gain **shareholder** approval

Our company is committed to increasing **shareholder** value.

insufficient

adj. not enough for a particular purpose

synonym: deficient, inadequate, scarce

(1) **insufficient** evidence, (2) there are **insufficient** doctors
We had raised a small amount of money from investors, but funds were **insufficient**.

disposable

adj. designed to be used once and then thrown away

synonym: throwaway, single-use, expendable

(1) total **disposable** income, (2) **disposable** camera
I prefer using **disposable** razors because they are more convenient.

expense

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

synonym: cost, expenditure, outlay

(1) enormous **expenses**, (2) **expense** account
For this project to be successful, we must control **expenses** strictly.

discretionary

adj. subject to one's judgment or decision; available for use as needed or desired

synonym: optional, elective, voluntary

(1) **discretionary** power, (2) **discretionary** fund
The **discretionary** bonus was a nice surprise for the employees.

unfortunate

adj. having bad luck or fortune; unlucky

synonym: unlucky, pitiful, wretched

(1) an **unfortunate** orphan, (2) an **unfortunate** situation
The **unfortunate** accident caused many injuries and some fatalities.

globe

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

synonym: Earth, world, sphere

(1) terrestrial **globe**, (2) around the **globe**

His final goal is to sail around the **globe**.

reorient

v. to change the focus, position, or direction of someone or something

synonym: reconstruct, reorganize

(1) **reorient** my thinking, (2) **reorient** the receiving antenna
Making a sharp noise will quickly **reorient** children's thoughts to the present.

compensation

n. something especially money, given or received as payment or reparation for a service or loss or injury

synonym: reparation, allowance, reward

(1) unemployment **compensation**, (2) other forms of **compensation**

He claimed **compensation** for the injury.

regress

v. to move or develop backward; to return to an earlier or less advanced state or condition; to decline or deteriorate

synonym: retrovert, deteriorate, decline

(1) **regress** to childhood, (2) **regress** in skills

The team's failure to win games has caused them to **regress** in confidence.

salary

n. a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

synonym: compensation, earnings, pay

(1) a handsome **salary**, (2) **salary** after taxes

What are your annual **salary** expectations?

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.

wrap

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

synonym: surround, cover, bandage

(1) **wrap** a fish in foil, (2) **wrap** up a meeting

Wrap the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

equity

n. the value of the shares issued by a company

synonym: fairness

(1) private **equity** firm, (2) **equity** capital market

That company is cautious when it comes to **equity** investment.

increment

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

synonym: increase, expansion, addendum

(1) steady **incremental** growth, (2) small **increments**

The bid **increment** for this auction is \$100.

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.

maxim

n. a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior

synonym: adage, proverb, aphorism

(1) old **maxim**, (2) act upon a **maxim**

A good **maxim** is never out of season.

profit

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

synonym: earnings, gain, proceeds

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

This business yields little **profit**.

quarter

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

synonym: fourth, one-fourth

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

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

twofold

adj. consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree

synonym: doubled, dual, twinned

(1) **twofold** approach, (2) **twofold** difference

The **twofold** increase in sales was unexpected but welcomed by the company.

inevitably

adv. in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented

synonym: unavoidably, necessarily, surely

(1) **inevitably** decline with age, (2) **inevitably** reach the consumer

Because of his excellent performance, he will **inevitably** be promoted.

margin

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

synonym: edge, border, periphery

(1) **margin** error, (2) a profit **margin**

Unfortunately, the book's **margin** was too small to make notes.

manufacture

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

synonym: create, fabricate, assemble

(1) **manufacture** an enzyme, (2) **manufacture** a product
The majority of synthetic vitamins are **manufactured** from oil.

moralize

v. to express or teach a moral lesson or principle, often in a self-righteous or didactic way; to reflect on the ethical or moral aspects of a situation or behavior

synonym: preach, lecture, sermonize

(1) **moralize** a situation, (2) **moralize** about politics
I don't like it when people try to **moralize** me about my personal choices.

baseline

n. a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

synonym: standard, criterion

(1) **baseline** budget, (2) establish a **baseline**
The products they sell are the **baseline** for performance in the industry.

strength

n. the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**
Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

priority

n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

synonym: importance, precedence, primacy

(1) **priority** call, (2) **priority** seating for elderly
Her **priority** is to be a mother.

disbeliever

n. a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea

synonym: non-believer, skeptic, doubter

(1) persuade a **disbeliever**, (2) stubborn **disbeliever**
Despite the evidence, she remained a **disbeliever** in the

theory of evolution.

capitalism

n. an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit

synonym: commercialism

(1) advance **capitalism**, (2) under the umbrella of **capitalism**

Capitalism also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.

upgrade

v. to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard

synonym: improve, boost, enrich

(1) **upgrade** a product, (2) **upgrade** work performance
It's an excellent opportunity to **upgrade** our networking.

tune

n. a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

synonym: melody, harmony, (verb) adjust

(1) the **tune** of a song, (2) **tune** a piano

The band played a beautiful **tune** on their instruments.

thorough

adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate

synonym: complete, comprehensive, meticulous

(1) **thorough** investigation, (2) provide **thorough** analysis
A **thorough** brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

jurisdiction

n. the extent or range of authority, power, or control exercised by a particular entity or organization, such as a government or court; the area within which such authority or control is exercised

synonym: power, authority, control

(1) local **jurisdiction**, (2) limited **jurisdiction**

The case fell under the **jurisdiction** of the state court system.

insure

v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
synonym: protect, guard, safeguard

(1) **insure** my house against fire, (2) **insure** domestic tranquility

I will **insure** my car before I go on a road trip.

spiral

n. a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
synonym: coil, helix, twist

(1) **spiral** staircase, (2) **spiral** design

The leaves of the fern were arranged in a **spiral** pattern.

naturally

adv. as might be expected; by natural manners
synonym: by nature, inherently, intrinsically

(1) **naturally** arising, (2) **naturally** regenerated forest

He was **naturally** gifted.

accrue

v. (of a benefit or sum of money) to increase or accumulate in number or amount over a period of time
synonym: increase, accumulate, amass

(1) **accrue** to the general treasury, (2) benefits **accrue** to the community

Two-percent interest will **accrue** on your savings account.

ultimate

adj. furthest or highest in degree or order
synonym: highest, maximum, foremost

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

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

adopt

v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

synonym: accept, assume, take on

(1) **adopt** a child, (2) **adopt** a bill

The national assembly has **adopted** the budget.

benevolent

adj. well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose

synonym: kindly, compassionate, philanthropic

(1) **benevolent** gesture, (2) a **benevolent** individual

The **benevolent** donor's contribution to the charity greatly impacted the lives of those it served.

corporate

adj. of or relating to a large company

synonym: business, commercial, organizational

(1) **corporate** right, (2) **corporate** environment

The **corporate** office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

skeptical

adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

synonym: doubtful, distrustful, suspicious

(1) a **skeptical** attitude, (2) **skeptical** scientists

His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly **skeptical**.

structure

n. the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

synonym: construction, architecture, establishment

(1) the **structure** of a machine, (2) **structure** and function of the brain

The organizational **structure** of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

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.

inequality

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

are different

synonym: imbalance, prejudice, unfairness

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

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

environment

n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

synonym: atmosphere, surroundings, climate

(1) **environment** affairs, (2) chaotic **environment**

Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's **environment**.

regulate

v. to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

synonym: control, restrain, handle

(1) **regulate** blood sugar levels, (2) **regulate** our conduct

We must manage to **regulate** our expenditure.

competitive

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

synonym: aggressive, ambitious, militant

(1) a **competitive** price, (2) **competitive** position

The mobile application industry is a **competitive** one.

attract

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

synonym: lure, entice, draw in

(1) **attract** attention, (2) **attract** customers

The government is eager to **attract** international investment.

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.

be-all

n. something that is considered the most important or all-encompassing aspect of a particular thing or concept

synonym: ultimate goal, end-all, everything

(1) **be-all** solution, (2) **be-all** answer

Going to college is often seen as the **be-all** and end-all for success in life.

shirk

v. to avoid or neglect one's responsibilities or duties; to evade or dodge something that one is expected or required to do

synonym: avoid, dodge, evade

(1) **shirk** moral obligation, (2) **shirk** their duties

I can't **shirk** my work responsibilities, even when taking a break is tempting.

diverse

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

synonym: manifold, various, myriad

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

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

workforce

n. all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

synonym: labor pool, manpower

(1) skilled **workforce**, (2) the **workforce** is on strike

Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their **workforce** flexible.

definition

n. a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

synonym: description, connotation, meaning

(1) a precise **definition**, (2) the **definition** of a word

Parallel lines are, by **definition**, lines on the same plane that never cross.

strategy

n. a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

synonym : approach, procedure, scenario

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

Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing **strategy**.

amazing

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

synonym : exceptional, extraordinary, wonderful

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

The golfer recorded an **amazing** distance.

spur

n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something

synonym : encouragement, motivation, stimulus

(1) **spur** of the moment, (2) **spur** a momentum of economic growth

The threat of losing his job was the **spur** he needed to work harder.

tip

n. the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

synonym : edge, advice, gratuity

(1) the **tip** of a paintbrush, (2) give the waiter a **tip** .

I will introduce some **tips** on learning English in this class.

maintain

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

synonym : preserve, uphold, sustain

(1) **maintain** order, (2) **maintain** good health

I need to **maintain** my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

self-serving

adj. concerned primarily with one's interests and needs rather than those of others; motivated by a desire for

personal gain or advantage

synonym: self-centered, egocentric, self-absorbed

(1) **self-serving** attitude, (2) **self-serving** bias

The politician's **self-serving** actions were met with criticism from the public.

disadvantage

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

synonym: detriment, drawback, (verb) disfavor

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

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

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.

presume

v. to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance

synonym: assume, suppose, guess

(1) **presume** innocence, (2) **presume** on his tolerance

I **presume** you've already made plans for the weekend since you didn't respond to my invitation.

certify

v. to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

synonym: accredit, approve, authorize

(1) **certify** product quality, (2) **certify** the authenticity of the

painting

As a witness, I can **certify** his innocence.

intention

n. something you want to do and are going to do

synonym: purpose, connotation, will

(1) **intention** behind his decision, (2) clear **intention**

Our CEO's **intentions** are always transparent and straightforward.

align

v. to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

synonym: coordinate, regulate, adjust

(1) **align** the economic interest of each other, (2) **align** with a historical trend

Both parties are now entirely ideologically **aligned**.

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.

opposed

adj. being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

synonym: anti, averse, hostile

(1) two **opposed** characters, (2) absolutely **opposed** to abortion

I'm strongly **opposed** to that plan.

publicly

adv. in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government

synonym: candidly, openly, honestly

(1) **publicly** accessible record, (2) **publicly** financed schools

She **publicly** denounced the government's mishandling of the economic crisis.

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.

demonstrate

v. to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

synonym: show, illustrate, display

(1) **demonstrate** a difference, (2) **demonstrate** mastery
How can you **demonstrate** that the earth is a sphere?

extreme

adj. very great in amount or degree

synonym: farthestmost, outermost, fierce

(1) **extreme** sports, (2) **extreme** weather events
Solar gravity creates **extreme** pressures and temperatures.

disparity

n. a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

synonym: difference, inequality, gap

(1) the **disparity** between theory and reality, (2) income **disparity**

There is a significant **disparity** in pay between men and women in the company.

pragmatic

adj. practical rather than idealistic

synonym: practical, realistic, down-to-earth

(1) **pragmatic** approach, (2) **pragmatic** politics
He was a **pragmatic** leader who made decisions based on

what was practical rather than ideal.

overwhelm

v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

synonym: conquer, crush, dominate

(1) he was **overwhelmed** with gratitude, (2) **overwhelm** opponents by numbers

Too much variety may **overwhelm** and confuse viewers.

immediately

adv. now or without delay

synonym: directly, instantly, promptly

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

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

remittance

n. the act of sending money or paying a debt; a sum of money sent as payment or as a gift

synonym: payment, transfer, remittal

(1) electronic **remittance**, (2) monthly **remittance**

The **remittance** of the payment was delayed due to a technical error.

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.

recipient

n. a person who receives something

synonym: receiver, beneficiary

(1) a **recipient** of a Nobel prize, (2) a **recipient** of a lung transplant

When performing an organ transplant, it is necessary to test for compatibility between the donor and **recipient**.

desperately

adv. in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency

synonym : urgently, perilously, seriously

(1) **desperately** anxious, (2) **desperately** ill patient

The baby clung **desperately** to her mother.

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.

spirit

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

synonym : soul, attitude, enthusiasm

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

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

cliche

n. a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

synonym : truism, platitude, stereotype

(1) **cliche** plot, (2) age-old **cliche**

Using the same **cliche** phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.

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.

bartender

n. a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar

synonym: barman, mixologist, server

(1) professional **bartender**, (2) moonlight as a **bartender**

The chief **bartender** mixed the ingredients to create a new and exciting cocktail.

worship

v. to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

synonym: adore, idolize

(1) **worship** god, (2) absolutely **worship**

They traditionally **worship** their guru.

charity

n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

synonym: philanthropy, benevolence, generosity

(1) **charity** work, (2) ask **charity**

She volunteers at a local **charity** every weekend to help those in need.

explode

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

synonym: detonate, blast, rupture

(1) **explode** in anger, (2) **explode** in popularity

The old building **exploded** in a fiery inferno.

strike

v. to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

synonym: hit, impact, influence

(1) **strike** up a conversation, (2) **strike** a blow

We **strike** to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

incredible

adj. unbelievable; enormous

synonym: unbelievable, fantastical, inconceivable

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

Her response revealed **incredible** idiocy.

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.

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.

invisible

adj. impossible or nearly impossible to see

synonym: hidden, imperceptible, unseen

(1) an **invisible** asset, (2) **invisible** stars

The phenomenon is **invisible** at optical wavelengths.

visible

adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view

synonym: clear, observable, seeable

(1) **visible** stars, (2) **visible** by X-ray

My home is easily **visible** from the shore.

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.

structural

adj. associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

synonym: architectural, basic, anatomical

(1) **structural** analyses, (2) **structural** reorganization
The earthquake resulted in significant **structural** destruction.

faith

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
synonym: belief, trust, confidence

(1) religious **faith**, (2) **faith** in government
He kept his robust **faith** in his company.

methodology

n. a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
synonym: procedure, approach, process

(1) **methodology** for optimizing, (2) research **methodology**
We are developing a new **methodology** for assessing marketing measures.

proprietor

n. a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company
synonym: owner, keeper, possessor

(1) **proprietor** of a business, (2) copyright **proprietor**
The **proprietor** of the small bakery was always friendly and welcoming.

fantastic

adj. extremely good; excellent
synonym: incredible, unbelievable, marvelous

(1) a **fantastic** dress, (2) absolutely **fantastic** event
The new amusement park ride was **fantastic**, with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

conversation

n. an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
synonym: chat, discussion, dialogue

(1) **conversation** in English, (2) a friendly **conversation**
Your **conversation** reflects your thoughts.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. ex___d the warranty | <i>v.</i> to broaden in scope, range, or area |
| 2. sel_____ing bias | <i>adj.</i> concerned primarily with one's interests and needs rather than those of others; motivated by a desire for personal gain or advantage |
| 3. wo_____p god | <i>v.</i> to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god |
| 4. unf_____ely caught in a shower | <i>adv.</i> by bad luck; unluckily |
| 5. ex_____e sports | <i>adj.</i> very great in amount or degree |
| 6. ind_____us student | <i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort |
| 7. pu_____ly financed schools | <i>adv.</i> in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government |
| 8. ap_____ze ahead of time | <i>v.</i> to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem |
| 9. gain sha_____er approval | <i>n.</i> a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company |
| 10. com_____ve position | <i>adj.</i> involving competition or competitiveness |
| 11. in___e my house against fire | <i>v.</i> to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage |
| 12. pr_____ty seating for elderly | <i>n.</i> something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first |

ANSWERS: 1. extend, 2. self-serving, 3. worship, 4. unfortunately, 5. extreme, 6. industrious, 7. publicly, 8. apologize, 9. shareholder, 10. competitive, 11. insure, 12. priority

13. th____gh investigation	<i>adj.</i> done completely; significantly careful and accurate
14. the br__d of the new car	<i>n.</i> a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
15. gross pr____t	<i>n.</i> money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
16. con_____on for murder	<i>n.</i> a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed
17. pr_____ce a name	<i>v.</i> to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
18. almost ev____y divided	<i>adv.</i> in equal amounts or shares; in a balanced or impartial way
19. bombs fell at ra____m	<i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
20. meet their de____e	<i>n.</i> death or the end of something
21. clear in_____on	<i>n.</i> something you want to do and are going to do
22. sh__k their duties	<i>v.</i> to avoid or neglect one's responsibilities or duties; to evade or dodge something that one is expected or required to do
23. notable in_____ce	<i>n.</i> a particular example or single occurrence of something

ANSWERS: 13. thorough, 14. brand, 15. profit, 16. conviction, 17. pronounce, 18. evenly, 19. random, 20. demise, 21. intention, 22. shirk, 23. instance

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| 24. ex_____e in popularity | <i>v.</i> to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open |
| 25. em_____ng country | <i>adj.</i> starting to exist, mature, or become well-known |
| 26. unsatisfied de_____e | <i>n.</i> a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something |
| 27. bank ca_____r | <i>n.</i> an employee responsible for handling transactions, such as payments or returns, in a store or other business |
| 28. ri_____et into a crowd | <i>v.</i> to rebound or deflect off a surface at an angle or series of angles, changing direction multiple times; to have a sudden and unintended effect or outcome; (noun) the motion of an object or a projectile that is deflected off a surface |
| 29. sh_____ed life | <i>adj.</i> protected or shielded from danger or harmful influences; inexperienced or innocent of certain unpleasantness or harsh realities of life |
| 30. a private ind_____al | <i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group |
| 31. art cr_____c | <i>n.</i> someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc. |
| 32. gr__t a new license | <i>v.</i> to agree to give or allow somebody |
| 33. a ra_____m choice | <i>adj.</i> made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern |

ANSWERS: 24. explode, 25. emerging, 26. desire, 27. cashier, 28. ricochet, 29. sheltered, 30. individual, 31. critic, 32. grant, 33. random

34. ad____e a cooperative relationship	<i>v.</i> to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
35. Doppler sh__t	<i>n.</i> a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
36. have a st___e job	<i>adj.</i> firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
37. around the gl__e	<i>n.</i> the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
38. a re_____nt of a Nobel prize	<i>n.</i> a person who receives something
39. ine_____ly reach the consumer	<i>adv.</i> in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented
40. a precise def_____on	<i>n.</i> a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
41. 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
42. accounting f__m	<i>adj.</i> resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
43. give the waiter a t_p.	<i>n.</i> the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services
44. private eq___y firm	<i>n.</i> the value of the shares issued by a company

ANSWERS: 34. advance, 35. shift, 36. stable, 37. globe, 38. recipient, 39. inevitably, 40. definition, 41. optimism, 42. firm, 43. tip, 44. equity

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| 45. pl____t against other major currencies | <i>v.</i> to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply |
| 46. 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 |
| 47. s__r of the moment | <i>n.</i> a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something |
| 48. man____re a product | <i>v.</i> to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines |
| 49. there is no other alt____ve | <i>n.</i> one of two or more available possibilities or choice |
| 50. un____k a door with a key | <i>v.</i> to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key |
| 51. trespass on a person's pr____y | <i>n.</i> someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people |
| 52. di____l electronic signature | <i>adj.</i> 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 |
| 53. dis____le camera | <i>adj.</i> designed to be used once and then thrown away |
| 54. fl____te prices | <i>v.</i> to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably |

ANSWERS: 45. plummet, 46. struggle, 47. spur, 48. manufacture, 49. alternative, 50. unlock, 51. privacy, 52. digital, 53. disposable, 54. fluctuate

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| 55. a fully in_____ve price | <i>adj.</i> including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something |
| 56. de___e my position | <i>v.</i> to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something |
| 57. celebrate the ad___t of spring | <i>n.</i> the arrival or beginning of something; the coming of Jesus Christ at his birth |
| 58. technological im_____s | <i>n.</i> a force, motivation, or stimulus that causes something to happen or be done; the driving force behind a particular action or change |
| 59. es_____al amino acid | <i>adj.</i> indispensable; fundamental |
| 60. an arrival pl_____rm | <i>n.</i> 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 |
| 61. 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 |
| 62. re_____nt the receiving antenna | <i>v.</i> to change the focus, position, or direction of someone or something |
| 63. high vo___e | <i>n.</i> the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound |
| 64. blo_____in platform | <i>n.</i> a system in which a growing list of payment records, called blocks, made in cryptocurrency is maintained across several computers that are securely linked |

ANSWERS: 55. inclusive, 56. define, 57. advent, 58. impetus, 59. essential, 60. platform, 61. encourage, 62. reorient, 63. volume, 64. blockchain

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| 65. the wo_____ce is on strike | <i>n.</i> all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc. |
| 66. st____t passage | <i>n.</i> a narrow stretch of water or sea connecting two larger bodies of water or seas |
| 67. major paradigm sh__t | <i>n.</i> a slight transition in position, direction, or trend |
| 68. the t__e of a song | <i>n.</i> a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard |
| 69. dif_____ty in breathing | <i>n.</i> a condition or state that causes problems |
| 70. ma_____e stars | <i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid |
| 71. pra_____ly constant | <i>adv.</i> almost or nearly |
| 72. pre_____tly rural | <i>adv.</i> mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group |
| 73. split a dinner t_b | <i>n.</i> a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill |
| 74. sh__k moral obligation | <i>v.</i> to avoid or neglect one's responsibilities or duties; to evade or dodge something that one is expected or required to do |
| 75. a friendly con_____ion | <i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc. |

ANSWERS: 65. workforce, 66. strait, 67. shift, 68. tune, 69. difficulty, 70. massive, 71. practically, 72. predominantly, 73. tab, 74. shirk, 75. conversation

76. psy_____gy experiment	<i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior
77. 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
78. a com_____ve price	<i>adj.</i> involving competition or competitiveness
79. a di_____l watch	<i>adj.</i> 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
80. me____n age at diagnosis	<i>n.</i> the value separating the higher half from the lower half of a set of values arranged in order of size
81. tel_____ine consultation	<i>n.</i> the remote diagnosis and treatment of patients using telecommunications technology, such as video conferencing, phone calls, or messaging services
82. ex____d agricultural output	<i>v.</i> to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
83. pr_____e innocence	<i>v.</i> to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance
84. wa__e fees	<i>v.</i> to give up or relinquish a claim or right voluntarily; to refrain from insisting on or enforcing a requirement or rule

ANSWERS: 76. psychology, 77. struggle, 78. competitive, 79. digital, 80. median, 81. telemedicine, 82. expand, 83. presume, 84. waive

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| 85. de____p wallpaper | <i>n.</i> a flat working surface or table that is usually placed on top of a desk, typically used for a computer or other work-related activities |
| 86. industrial 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 |
| 87. for in____ce | <i>n.</i> a particular example or single occurrence of something |
| 88. dis____te wealth evenly | <i>v.</i> to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something |
| 89. 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 |
| 90. asset on the company's ba____e sheet | <i>n.</i> a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away |
| 91. in____e a lot of paperwork | <i>v.</i> to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else |
| 92. the most am____g feeling | <i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire |
| 93. he was ov____lmed with gratitude | <i>v.</i> to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody |

ANSWERS: 85. desktop, 86. sector, 87. instance, 88. distribute, 89. encourage, 90. balance, 91. involve, 92. amazing, 93. overwhelm

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| 94. re___l store | <i>n.</i> the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets |
| 95. st___e up a conversation | <i>v.</i> to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon |
| 96. religious fa__h | <i>n.</i> complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc. |
| 97. re___e a dying dog | <i>v.</i> to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation |
| 98. str_____al analyses | <i>adj.</i> associated with the way on construction or organization of anything |
| 99. ob_____s reasons | <i>adj.</i> easy to see, discover or understand |
| 100. persuade a dis_____er | <i>n.</i> a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea |
| 101. de_____p a skill | <i>v.</i> 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 |
| 102. vi_____e by X-ray | <i>adj.</i> capable of being seen; or open to easy view |
| 103. emotional out_____ng | <i>n.</i> a sudden and abundant flow or expression of thoughts, feelings, emotion, or information; an overwhelming amount of something expressed in a short period of time |

ANSWERS: 94. retail, 95. strike, 96. faith, 97. rescue, 98. structural, 99. obvious, 100. disbeliever, 101. develop, 102. visible, 103. outpouring

104. take ad_____ge of his weak points	<i>n.</i> a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
105. acc_____ion of an object	<i>n.</i> a rate of increase in velocity; the rate of change of velocity with respect to time
106. br____h office	<i>n.</i> a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
107. re_____s to childhood	<i>v.</i> to move or develop backward; to return to an earlier or less advanced state or condition; to decline or deteriorate
108. ma_____e amounts	<i>adj.</i> enormous amount; very heavy and solid
109. em____y job seekers	<i>v.</i> to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
110. em_____ed systems	<i>adj.</i> fixed firmly into the surface of something
111. military st_____gy	<i>n.</i> a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
112. t__e a piano	<i>n.</i> a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard
113. ha____ed the incident	<i>v.</i> to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
114. a speed re_____or	<i>n.</i> a person or thing that controls or balances something; a person or an organization that is responsible for control and supervision of a particular activity or area of public interest

ANSWERS: 104. advantage, 105. acceleration, 106. branch, 107. regress, 108. massive, 109. employ, 110. embedded, 111. strategy, 112. tune, 113. handle, 114. regulator

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| 115. political im____s | <i>n.</i> a force, motivation, or stimulus that causes something to happen or be done; the driving force behind a particular action or change |
| 116. mo____nt of troops | <i>n.</i> a group of people working together to achieve a shared goal, especially a political, social, or artistic one; the process of moving or being moved, physically or figuratively |
| 117. dem____te mastery | <i>v.</i> to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience |
| 118. in____ce a child's future | <i>n.</i> the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself |
| 119. small in____nts | <i>n.</i> a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important |
| 120. the p__m side of the forearm | <i>n.</i> the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves |
| 121. tracking de____e | <i>n.</i> a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic |
| 122. end of the first qu____r | <i>n.</i> one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion |
| 123. a vul____le bridge | <i>adj.</i> capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally |

ANSWERS: 115. impetus, 116. movement, 117. demonstrate, 118. influence, 119. increment, 120. palm, 121. device, 122. quarter, 123. vulnerable

124. competent pe_____el	<i>n.</i> a group of people who are employed in an organization or one of the armed forces; the department responsible for hiring, training, and placing employees
125. pr_____ic approach	<i>adj.</i> practical rather than idealistic
126. de___e a word	<i>v.</i> to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
127. service f_e	<i>n.</i> a sum of money charged for a particular service
128. severe cr___c	<i>n.</i> someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
129. dis_____ary fund	<i>adj.</i> subject to one's judgment or decision; available for use as needed or desired
130. fa__h in government	<i>n.</i> complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
131. market pen_____on	<i>n.</i> the act or process of penetrating or entering something, often forcefully or with difficulty; the depth or extent to which something has been entered or understood
132. lo___e a missing pet	<i>v.</i> to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
133. 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
134. ins_____ent evidence	<i>adj.</i> not enough for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 124. personnel, 125. pragmatic, 126. define, 127. fee, 128. critic, 129. discretionary, 130. faith, 131. penetration, 132. locate, 133. tradition, 134. insufficient

135. sp___l design	<i>n.</i> a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
136. 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
137. f_e calculation	<i>n.</i> a sum of money charged for a particular service
138. moonlight as a ba_____er	<i>n.</i> a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar
139. re_____s in skills	<i>v.</i> to move or develop backward; to return to an earlier or less advanced state or condition; to decline or deteriorate
140. fiscal st_____ty pact	<i>n.</i> the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
141. ch_____y work	<i>n.</i> an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
142. sta_____cs for cancer	<i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data
143. adm_____er the funds	<i>v.</i> to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
144. pr_____t the future	<i>v.</i> to state beforehand that something will happen in the future, mainly based on knowledge or experience
145. an information pr_____er	<i>n.</i> a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

ANSWERS: 135. spiral, 136. predict, 137. fee, 138. bartender, 139. regress, 140. stability, 141. charity, 142. statistics, 143. administer, 144. predict, 145. provider

146. re___e a company from bankruptcy	<i>v.</i> to save someone or something from a dangerous or difficult situation
147. a pro_____le job	<i>adj.</i> making or likely to make material gain or profit
148. skilled wo_____ce	<i>n.</i> all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.
149. co___y seat	<i>n.</i> an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division
150. sa_____y a desire	<i>v.</i> to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
151. tr_____ct in cash	<i>v.</i> to carry out or conduct a business or other transaction; to complete or fulfill an agreement, deal, or contract
152. a con_____us row of warehouses	<i>adj.</i> occurring or existing without a pause or interruption
153. sa_____y after taxes	<i>n.</i> a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
154. des_____ly anxious	<i>adv.</i> in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency
155. ac___e to the general treasury	<i>v.</i> (of a benefit or sum of money) to increase or accumulate in number or amount over a period of time
156. digital cu_____cy	<i>n.</i> a system of money in general use in a particular country

ANSWERS: 146. rescue, 147. profitable, 148. workforce, 149. county, 150. satisfy, 151. transact, 152. continuous, 153. salary, 154. desperately, 155. accrue, 156. currency

157. meet req_____nt	<i>n.</i> something that is needed or wanted
158. as_____te alcohol with gambling	<i>v.</i> to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
159. de___e centigrade	<i>n.</i> a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
160. cor_____on assets	<i>n.</i> a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
161. co_____se water vapor	<i>v.</i> to reduce the volume or size of something, often by removing water or other liquid; to make something shorter, more concise, or more concentrated
162. end of the first ep_____e	<i>n.</i> a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness
163. sh__k-resistant	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
164. tra_____on balance	<i>n.</i> an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
165. the ul_____te luxury	<i>adj.</i> furthest or highest in degree or order
166. na___n-state	<i>n.</i> a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

ANSWERS: 157. requirement, 158. associate, 159. degree, 160. corporation, 161. condense, 162. episode, 163. shock, 164. transaction, 165. ultimate, 166. nation

167. ev___y colored	<i>adv.</i> in equal amounts or shares; in a balanced or impartial way
168. beam of el_____ons	<i>n.</i> a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
169. at_____te the change to their marriage	<i>v.</i> to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
170. travel bu___u	<i>n.</i> an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
171. em___y a new method	<i>v.</i> to give somebody a job and pay them for it; to make use of
172. id_____ty as an individual	<i>n.</i> the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
173. old ma___m	<i>n.</i> a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior
174. me_____nt bank	<i>n.</i> a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods
175. advance cap_____sm	<i>n.</i> an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
176. ce_____y the authenticity of the painting	<i>v.</i> to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

ANSWERS: 167. evenly, 168. electron, 169. attribute, 170. bureau, 171. employ, 172. identity, 173. maxim, 174. merchant, 175. capitalism, 176. certify

177. f__m grip	<i>adj.</i> resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company
178. get inc_____ly insecure	<i>adv.</i> in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
179. the per_____ge of the gold content	<i>n.</i> the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred
180. improve sta_____er relations	<i>n.</i> a person or group that has an interest or concern in something, especially a business
181. back f_n	<i>n.</i> a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
182. s__r a momentum of economic growth	<i>n.</i> a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
183. the tr__d away from television	<i>n.</i> a general direction in which something is changing or developing
184. res_____le for a customer service	<i>adj.</i> answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
185. ex_____e the data studiously	<i>v.</i> to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

ANSWERS: 177. firm, 178. incredibly, 179. percentage, 180. stakeholder, 181. fin, 182. spur, 183. trend, 184. responsible, 185. examine

186. a public cor_____on	<i>n.</i> a large company or group of companies that are controlled together by law as a single unit
187. sel_____ing attitude	<i>adj.</i> concerned primarily with one's interests and needs rather than those of others; motivated by a desire for personal gain or advantage
188. flu pa_____ic	<i>n.</i> an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
189. ex_____d to radiation	<i>adj.</i> having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
190. absolutely fa_____ic event	<i>adj.</i> extremely good; excellent
191. genic com_____ons	<i>n.</i> a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
192. the scalability of blo_____in	<i>n.</i> a system in which a growing list of payment records, called blocks, made in cryptocurrency is maintained across several computers that are securely linked
193. re_____te blood sugar levels	<i>v.</i> to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
194. co_____al combination of funds	<i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
195. de_____p software	<i>n.</i> a flat working surface or table that is usually placed on top of a desk, typically used for a computer or other work-related activities

ANSWERS: 186. corporation, 187. self-serving, 188. pandemic, 189. exposed, 190. fantastic, 191. combination, 192. blockchain, 193. regulate, 194. communal, 195. desktop

196. unn_____ry hassle	<i>adj.</i> not needed or required; not essential or important
197. intellectual f__t	<i>n.</i> a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery
198. an in___e pipe	<i>n.</i> the act or process of taking food, air, etc., into your body through the mouth; the amount of food, air, or another substance that you take into your body
199. in_____ve education	<i>adj.</i> including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something
200. agricultural me_____nt	<i>n.</i> a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods
201. ine_____ty in salary	<i>n.</i> the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
202. the degree of dif_____ty	<i>n.</i> a condition or state that causes problems
203. steady in_____ntal growth	<i>n.</i> a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important
204. a rid_____us amount of money	<i>adj.</i> very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

ANSWERS: 196. unnecessary, 197. feat, 198. intake, 199. inclusive, 200. merchant, 201. inequality, 202. difficulty, 203. increment, 204. ridiculous

205. economic st____us	<i>n.</i> something that causes growth or arouses action
206. throughout the co____y	<i>n.</i> an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division
207. st____t channel	<i>n.</i> a narrow stretch of water or sea connecting two larger bodies of water or seas
208. tim_____ing project	<i>adj.</i> requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete
209. coconut p__m trees	<i>n.</i> the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves
210. enter on the last ph__e	<i>n.</i> any stage in a series of events, change, or development
211. copyright pro_____or	<i>n.</i> a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company
212. st____e a blow	<i>v.</i> to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon
213. a picture fr__e	<i>n.</i> a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
214. ha_____ot families	<i>n.</i> a person or group who lacks the necessities of life, such as adequate food, shelter, or economic resources, often contrasted with a "have" or someone who has abundance or wealth

ANSWERS: 205. stimulus, 206. county, 207. strait, 208. time-consuming, 209. palm, 210. phase, 211. proprietor, 212. strike, 213. frame, 214. have-not

215. ine_____ly decline with age	<i>adv.</i> in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented
216. the local chamber of co_____ce	<i>n.</i> the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
217. bachelor's de____e	<i>n.</i> a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
218. make a pr____t	<i>n.</i> money that is earned in business or by selling things after deducting the costs involved
219. a response to a st_____us	<i>n.</i> something that causes growth or arouses action
220. in_____ly anticipated	<i>adv.</i> at the beginning; at first
221. ex_____e in anger	<i>v.</i> to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open
222. he is opt_____ic	<i>adj.</i> hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
223. al_____hm for image processing	<i>n.</i> a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
224. tec_____cal policy	<i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress
225. electronic rem_____ce	<i>n.</i> the act of sending money or paying a debt; a sum of money sent as payment or as a gift
226. co_____e a large of alcohol	<i>v.</i> to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

ANSWERS: 215. inevitably, 216. commerce, 217. degree, 218. profit, 219. stimulus, 220. initially, 221. explode, 222. optimistic, 223. algorithm, 224. technological, 225. remittance, 226. consume

227. the pr_____er of the family	<i>n.</i> a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted
228. vo_____e of work	<i>n.</i> the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
229. com_____on number	<i>n.</i> a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities
230. up_____e work performance	<i>v.</i> to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard
231. other forms of com_____ion	<i>n.</i> something especially money, given or received as payment or reparation for a service or loss or injury
232. con_____us improvement	<i>adj.</i> occurring or existing without a pause or interruption
233. an indomitable sp____t	<i>n.</i> the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people
234. ubi_____us computing	<i>adj.</i> being or existing everywhere at once
235. ca_____te the distance	<i>v.</i> to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

ANSWERS: 227. provider, 228. volume, 229. combination, 230. upgrade, 231. compensation, 232. continuous, 233. spirit, 234. ubiquitous, 235. calculate

236. teaching cre_____al	<i>v.</i> to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts
237. pen_____on testing	<i>n.</i> the act or process of penetrating or entering something, often forcefully or with difficulty; the depth or extent to which something has been entered or understood
238. school req_____nt	<i>n.</i> something that is needed or wanted
239. ex___d the speed limit	<i>v.</i> to surpass or go beyond a limit, expectation, or requirement; to be better or greater than anticipated or desired
240. ind_____al freedom	<i>n.</i> a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
241. an ex_____d rock	<i>adj.</i> having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism
242. the cr_____or's claims	<i>n.</i> a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
243. income di_____ty	<i>n.</i> a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
244. pro_____le trade	<i>adj.</i> making or likely to make material gain or profit
245. local jur_____ion	<i>n.</i> the extent or range of authority, power, or control exercised by a particular entity or organization, such as a government or court; the area within which such authority or control is exercised

ANSWERS: 236. credential, 237. penetration, 238. requirement, 239. exceed, 240. individual, 241. exposed, 242. creditor, 243. disparity, 244. profitable, 245. jurisdiction

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| 246. official sta_____cs | <i>n.</i> the discipline that concerns the collection, organization, analysis, interpretation, and presentation of data |
| 247. pre_____tly Christian | <i>adv.</i> mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group |
| 248. tre_____us amount | <i>adj.</i> very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good |
| 249. the t_p of a paintbrush | <i>n.</i> the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services |
| 250. chaotic env_____nt | <i>n.</i> the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live |
| 251. an op_____ne remark | <i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose |
| 252. ev___e | <i>v.</i> to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually |
| 253. absolutely op____d to abortion | <i>adj.</i> being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something |
| 254. a digital pl_____rm for enterprise | <i>n.</i> 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: 246. statistics, 247. predominantly, 248. tremendous, 249. tip, 250. environment, 251. opportune, 252. evolve, 253. opposed, 254. platform

255. vul_____le parts of the body	<i>adj.</i> capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
256. pl_____ting sales	<i>v.</i> to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
257. una_____bly high prices	<i>adv.</i> in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
258. dem_____te a difference	<i>v.</i> to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience
259. am_____g advances	<i>adj.</i> extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
260. cr_____s management	<i>n.</i> a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
261. de_____e of bureaucracy	<i>n.</i> death or the end of something
262. tr_____ct internationally	<i>v.</i> to carry out or conduct a business or other transaction; to complete or fulfill an agreement, deal, or contract
263. pr_____y abuse	<i>n.</i> someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people
264. research met_____gy	<i>n.</i> a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
265. be_____l answer	<i>n.</i> something that is considered the most important or all-encompassing aspect of a particular thing or concept
266. tr_____e of debt	<i>n.</i> a portion or segment of something, especially a financial investment that is divided or allocated according to a specific criterion or formula

ANSWERS: 255. vulnerable, 256. plummet, 257. unacceptably, 258. demonstrate, 259. amazing, 260. crisis, 261. demise, 262. transact, 263. privacy, 264. methodology, 265. be-all, 266. tranche

267. 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
268. in____e a high degree of risk	<i>v.</i> to include or affect someone or something as a necessary part of something else
269. w__p a fish in foil	<i>v.</i> to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
270. act upon a ma__m	<i>n.</i> a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior
271. wr__k a lot of changes	<i>v.</i> to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events
272. cre____al themselves by showing their registration	<i>v.</i> to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts
273. as____te with people widely	<i>v.</i> to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else
274. ex___e rebellion	<i>v.</i> to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
275. large tr____e	<i>n.</i> a portion or segment of something, especially a financial investment that is divided or allocated according to a specific criterion or formula
276. sp___t and the letter of the law	<i>n.</i> the part of a person which is the seat of their mind, feelings, and character rather than their physical body; the general atmosphere of a place or situation and the effect that it has on people

ANSWERS: 267. boundary, 268. involve, 269. wrap, 270. maxim, 271. wreak, 272. credential, 273. associate, 274. excite, 275. tranche, 276. spirit

277. pro_____or of a business	<i>n.</i> a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company
278. the fr__e of the policy	<i>n.</i> a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
279. a re___l dealer	<i>n.</i> the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
280. re_____nt my thinking	<i>v.</i> to change the focus, position, or direction of someone or something
281. na_____ly arising	<i>adv.</i> as might be expected; by natural manners
282. tel_____ine technology	<i>n.</i> the remote diagnosis and treatment of patients using telecommunications technology, such as video conferencing, phone calls, or messaging services
283. score an ad_____ge	<i>n.</i> a condition or circumstance that puts one in a favorable or superior position; a beneficial feature or asset that someone or something has
284. have a b__s toward socialism	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
285. 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

ANSWERS: 277. proprietor, 278. frame, 279. retail, 280. reorient, 281. naturally, 282. telemedicine, 283. advantage, 284. bias, 285. coronavirus

286. develop software more eff_____ly	<i>adv.</i> in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense
287. fleshly de___e	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something
288. a handsome sa___y	<i>n.</i> a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
289. ad__t a child	<i>v.</i> to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
290. absolutely wo_____p	<i>v.</i> to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god
291. establish a ba_____ne	<i>n.</i> a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court
292. hour of ent_____ent	<i>n.</i> public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
293. sac_____ct belief	<i>adj.</i> considered to be holy and deserving of respect and reverence
294. monthly rem_____ce	<i>n.</i> the act of sending money or paying a debt; a sum of money sent as payment or as a gift
295. sma_____ne app developer	<i>n.</i> a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
296. an alt_____ve plan	<i>n.</i> one of two or more available possibilities or choice

ANSWERS: 286. efficiently, 287. desire, 288. salary, 289. adopt, 290. worship, 291. baseline, 292. entertainment, 293. sacrosanct, 294. remittance, 295. smartphone, 296. alternative

297. ben_____nt gesture	<i>adj.</i> well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose
298. 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
299. con_____ion in English	<i>n.</i> an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
300. LED-em_____ed glass	<i>adj.</i> fixed firmly into the surface of something
301. electronic pa_____ck	<i>n.</i> a check issued to an employee as payment for work or services rendered; the amount of money received in this check
302. the st_____re of a machine	<i>n.</i> the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
303. vi_____e stars	<i>adj.</i> capable of being seen; or open to easy view
304. ar_____l at a conclusion	<i>n.</i> the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
305. inc_____le amount	<i>adj.</i> unbelievable; enormous
306. moral con_____on	<i>n.</i> a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed

ANSWERS: 297. benevolent, 298. boundary, 299. conversation, 300. embedded, 301. paycheck, 302. structure, 303. visible, 304. arrival, 305. incredible, 306. conviction

307. de____t accumulation	<i>n.</i> a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
308. me_____n in a report	<i>v.</i> to speak or write about something or someone briefly
309. ex____d a line	<i>v.</i> to broaden in scope, range, or area
310. the su__e in foreign tourism	<i>n.</i> a sudden and great increase of something, such as a feeling, the amount or number, etc.
311. sa_____y a user's needs	<i>v.</i> to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need
312. assignment for the une_____ed youth	<i>adj.</i> not having a job, although able to work
313. open a t_b	<i>n.</i> a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill
314. fl_____te rapidly	<i>v.</i> to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably
315. capital ou____y	<i>n.</i> an amount of money that is expended or spent, particularly on a specific project or purchase
316. a br____h pipe	<i>n.</i> a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

ANSWERS: 307. deposit, 308. mention, 309. extend, 310. surge, 311. satisfy, 312. unemployed, 313. tab, 314. fluctuate, 315. outlay, 316. branch

317. ou____w of capital	<i>n.</i> the leakage of fluid from a container; a natural flow of groundwater
318. develop a st____gy	<i>n.</i> a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
319. tra____lly accepted concept	<i>adv.</i> in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way
320. an international tr__d	<i>n.</i> a general direction in which something is changing or developing
321. the RSA al____hm	<i>n.</i> a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
322. tim____ing process	<i>adj.</i> requiring a significant amount of time or effort to complete
323. professional ba____er	<i>n.</i> a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar
324. two-ph__e structure	<i>n.</i> any stage in a series of events, change, or development
325. in__e domestic tranquility	<i>v.</i> to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
326. tra____on phase	<i>n.</i> the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another
327. under the umbrella of cap____sm	<i>n.</i> an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
328. people who are une____ed	<i>adj.</i> not having a job, although able to work
329. dis____te video content	<i>v.</i> to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

ANSWERS: 317. outflow, 318. strategy, 319. traditionally, 320. trend, 321. algorithm, 322. time-consuming, 323. bartender, 324. phase, 325. insure, 326. transition, 327. capitalism, 328. unemployed, 329. distribute

330. sh_____ed housing	<i>adj.</i> protected or shielded from danger or harmful influences; inexperienced or innocent of certain unpleasantness or harsh realities of life
331. cir_____nce of injury	<i>n.</i> the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
332. wi_____nd temptation	<i>v.</i> to resist the effect or impact of something
333. a small in___e of breath	<i>n.</i> the act or process of taking food, air, etc., into your body through the mouth; the amount of food, air, or another substance that you take into your body
334. ask ch_____y	<i>n.</i> an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people
335. an unf_____te orphan	<i>adj.</i> having bad luck or fortune; unlucky
336. interstate co_____ce	<i>n.</i> the activity of buying and selling things, especially on a large scale
337. sma_____ne addict	<i>n.</i> a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet
338. tec_____cal advancement	<i>adj.</i> based on scientific and industrial progress
339. co_____e electricity	<i>v.</i> to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount
340. ensure a smooth tra_____on	<i>n.</i> the process or period of changing from one state or circumstance to another

ANSWERS: 330. sheltered, 331. circumstance, 332. withstand, 333. intake, 334. charity, 335. unfortunate, 336. commerce, 337. smartphone, 338. technological, 339. consume, 340. transition

341. a sk_____al attitude	<i>adj.</i> doubting that something is accurate or useful
342. the di_____ty between theory and reality	<i>n.</i> a significant difference or inequality between two or more things
343. de_____t money	<i>n.</i> a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force
344. wi_____nd pressure	<i>v.</i> to resist the effect or impact of something
345. pr_____e on his tolerance	<i>v.</i> to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance
346. dis_____age small businesses	<i>n.</i> a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
347. a unit of acc_____ion	<i>n.</i> a rate of increase in velocity; the rate of change of velocity with respect to time
348. increase in the minimum w__e	<i>n.</i> a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
349. an elegant ent_____ent	<i>n.</i> public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people
350. st_____re and function of the brain	<i>n.</i> the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

ANSWERS: 341. skeptical, 342. disparity, 343. deposit, 344. withstand, 345. presume, 346. disadvantage, 347. acceleration, 348. wage, 349. entertainment, 350. structure

351. ma_____in good health	<i>v.</i> to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
352. a re_____nt of a lung transplant	<i>n.</i> a person who receives something
353. env_____nt affairs	<i>n.</i> the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
354. limited jur_____ion	<i>n.</i> the extent or range of authority, power, or control exercised by a particular entity or organization, such as a government or court; the area within which such authority or control is exercised
355. al__n with a historical trend	<i>v.</i> to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
356. ou_____w fluid	<i>n.</i> the leakage of fluid from a container; a natural flow of groundwater
357. ad___t calendar	<i>n.</i> the arrival or beginning of something; the coming of Jesus Christ at his birth
358. lo___e a tumor	<i>v.</i> to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
359. af___d to buy a new car	<i>v.</i> to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
360. monthly pa_____ck	<i>n.</i> a check issued to an employee as payment for work or services rendered; the amount of money received in this check
361. me_____n name	<i>v.</i> to speak or write about something or someone briefly

ANSWERS: 351. maintain, 352. recipient, 353. environment, 354. jurisdiction, 355. align, 356. outflow, 357. advent, 358. locate, 359. afford, 360. paycheck, 361. mention

362. a_m to be a nurse	<i>v.</i> to try or plan to get or achieve something
363. enormous ex____es	<i>n.</i> the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
364. bankrupt cr____or	<i>n.</i> a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
365. flow of el____ons	<i>n.</i> a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
366. cir____nce of birth	<i>n.</i> the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence
367. cu____cy exchange	<i>n.</i> a system of money in general use in a particular country
368. ad__t a bill	<i>v.</i> to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own
369. ex____e account	<i>n.</i> the money, time, or effort incurred or required for something
370. ba____ne budget	<i>n.</i> a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court
371. af____d a high travel cost	<i>v.</i> to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
372. create a br__d logo	<i>n.</i> a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning
373. ex____e the crowd	<i>v.</i> to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

ANSWERS: 362. aim, 363. expense, 364. creditor, 365. electron, 366. circumstance, 367. currency, 368. adopt, 369. expense, 370. baseline, 371. afford, 372. brand, 373. excite

374. a circular mo____nt
375. the dis_____age of a plan
376. ec_____y of scale
377. pra_____ly impossible to find a parking spot
378. at_____te directly to sales
379. eff_____ly combined
380. acc_____te the car
381. co_____te right
382. am__s a patent portfolio
- 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
- n.* a drawback or a negative aspect of something; (verb) to put someone or something in an unfavorable position
- 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
- adv.* almost or nearly
- v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;
- adv.* in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense
- v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
- adj.* of or relating to a large company
- v.* to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference

ANSWERS: 374. movement, 375. disadvantage, 376. economy, 377. practically, 378. attribute, 379. efficiently, 380. accelerate, 381. corporate, 382. amass

383. he is kept under sur_____nce
n. the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
384. imm_____ly recall a product
adv. now or without delay
385. driving di_____ce
n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance
386. provide th_____gh analysis
adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate
387. und_____ed market
adj. inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
388. at inc_____le speed
adj. unbelievable; enormous
389. gr__t a land
v. to agree to give or allow somebody
390. a qu_____r mile
n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion
391. cyb_____ity measures
n. the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
392. in_____on behind his decision
n. something you want to do and are going to do
393. social di_____ce
n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

ANSWERS: 383. surveillance, 384. immediately, 385. distance, 386. thorough, 387. underserved, 388. incredible, 389. grant, 390. quarter, 391. cybersecurity, 392. intention, 393. distance

394. an in_____le asset	<i>adj.</i> impossible or nearly impossible to see
395. ou___y budget	<i>n.</i> an amount of money that is expended or spent, particularly on a specific project or purchase
396. ca_____r position	<i>n.</i> an employee responsible for handling transactions, such as payments or returns, in a store or other business
397. tra_____lly sung at a banquet	<i>adv.</i> in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way
398. al__n the economic interest of each other	<i>v.</i> to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line
399. two op_____d characters	<i>adj.</i> being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something
400. ri_____et off the walls	<i>v.</i> to rebound or deflect off a surface at an angle or series of angles, changing direction multiple times; to have a sudden and unintended effect or outcome; (noun) the motion of an object or a projectile that is deflected off a surface
401. the def_____on of a word	<i>n.</i> a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
402. sta_____er engagement	<i>n.</i> a person or group that has an interest or concern in something, especially a business
403. a fa_____ic dress	<i>adj.</i> extremely good; excellent
404. ex_____e the issue	<i>v.</i> to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

ANSWERS: 394. invisible, 395. outlay, 396. cashier, 397. traditionally, 398. align, 399. opposed, 400. ricochet, 401. definition, 402. stakeholder, 403. fantastic, 404. examine

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| 405. at____t attention | <i>v.</i> to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones |
| 406. des____ly ill patient | <i>adv.</i> in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency |
| 407. pr____ty call | <i>n.</i> something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first |
| 408. f__t accomplishment | <i>n.</i> a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery |
| 409. cause ha__c | <i>n.</i> widespread destruction or devastation, often caused by natural disasters, war, or other violent events |
| 410. a_m at a specific target | <i>v.</i> to try or plan to get or achieve something |
| 411. age-old cl____e | <i>n.</i> a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement |
| 412. 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 |
| 413. eq____y capital market | <i>n.</i> the value of the shares issued by a company |

ANSWERS: 405. attract, 406. desperately, 407. priority, 408. feat, 409. havoc, 410. aim, 411. cliché, 412. sector, 413. equity

414. in_____ce the daily life	<i>n.</i> the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself
415. card with no foreign tra_____on fees	<i>n.</i> an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something
416. ar_____l and departure gate	<i>n.</i> the act or situation of coming or being brought to a place; accomplishment of an objective
417. co_____te environment	<i>adj.</i> of or relating to a large company
418. co_____al swimming pool	<i>adj.</i> belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
419. terrestrial gl___e	<i>n.</i> the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
420. mo_____ze a situation	<i>v.</i> to express or teach a moral lesson or principle, often in a self-righteous or didactic way; to reflect on the ethical or moral aspects of a situation or behavior
421. financial cr____s	<i>n.</i> a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken
422. wr___k further damage	<i>v.</i> to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events
423. una_____bly poor	<i>adv.</i> in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory
424. ev___e over the past decade	<i>v.</i> to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

ANSWERS: 414. influence, 415. transaction, 416. arrival, 417. corporate, 418. communal, 419. globe, 420. moralize, 421. crisis, 422. wreak, 423. unacceptably, 424. evolve

425. tw____d difference	<i>adj.</i> consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree
426. ig____e a ban	<i>v.</i> to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
427. mistaken id____ty	<i>n.</i> the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
428. ce____y product quality	<i>v.</i> to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true
429. am__s followers	<i>v.</i> to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference
430. re____or body	<i>n.</i> a person or thing that controls or balances something; a person or an organization that is responsible for control and supervision of a particular activity or area of public interest
431. gov____nt bureaucracy	<i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state
432. at____t customers	<i>v.</i> to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
433. a ben____nt individual	<i>adj.</i> well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose
434. in st____e condition	<i>adj.</i> firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed
435. mo____ze about politics	<i>v.</i> to express or teach a moral lesson or principle, often in a self-righteous or didactic way; to reflect on the ethical or moral aspects of a situation or behavior

ANSWERS: 425. twofold, 426. ignore, 427. identity, 428. certify, 429. amass, 430. regulator, 431. government, 432. attract, 433. benevolent, 434. stable, 435. moralize

436. in_____le stars	<i>adj.</i> impossible or nearly impossible to see
437. pr_____ce a judgment	<i>v.</i> to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way
438. a person of di_____e talents	<i>adj.</i> including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
439. es_____al commodities of life	<i>adj.</i> indispensable; fundamental
440. st_____ty pact	<i>n.</i> the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast
441. un___k value	<i>v.</i> to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key
442. d__e into anime communities	<i>v.</i> to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
443. st_____th of the economy	<i>n.</i> the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
444. pro_____on of civilization	<i>n.</i> the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
445. pu_____ly accessible record	<i>adv.</i> in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government
446. w__p up a meeting	<i>v.</i> to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material
447. ex___d a lineup	<i>v.</i> to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
448. there are ins_____ent doctors	<i>adj.</i> not enough for a particular purpose
449. de_____p a strategy	<i>v.</i> to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created

ANSWERS: 436. invisible, 437. pronounce, 438. diverse, 439. essential, 440. stability, 441. unlock, 442. dive, 443. strength, 444. progression, 445. publicly, 446. wrap, 447. expand, 448. insufficient, 449. develop

450. man_____re an enzyme	<i>v.</i> to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines
451. artistic out_____ng	<i>n.</i> a sudden and abundant flow or expression of thoughts, feelings, emotion, or information; an overwhelming amount of something expressed in a short period of time
452. diagnosed in_____ly as a tumor	<i>adv.</i> at the beginning; at first
453. str_____al reorganization	<i>adj.</i> associated with the way on construction or organization of anything
454. ma_____in order	<i>v.</i> to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true
455. unpaid w__es	<i>n.</i> a particular amount of money that somebody earns, usually every week or every month, for work or services
456. tr_____ry bonds	<i>n.</i> the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual
457. adm_____er justice	<i>v.</i> to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
458. ex____d sales targets	<i>v.</i> to surpass or go beyond a limit, expectation, or requirement; to be better or greater than anticipated or desired
459. a b__d design	<i>adj.</i> brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
460. re_____te our conduct	<i>v.</i> to control something, especially by means of rules or laws

ANSWERS: 450. manufacture, 451. outpouring, 452. initially, 453. structural, 454. maintain, 455. wage, 456. treasury, 457. administer, 458. exceed, 459. bold, 460. regulate

461. wa__e the claim	<i>v.</i> to give up or relinquish a claim or right voluntarily; to refrain from insisting on or enforcing a requirement or rule
462. write him an answer imm_____ly	<i>adv.</i> now or without delay
463. a su__e of shoppers	<i>n.</i> a sudden and great increase of something, such as a feeling, the amount or number, etc.
464. ex_____e weather events	<i>adj.</i> very great in amount or degree
465. cyb_____ity threat	<i>n.</i> the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction
466. 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
467. tr_____ry money	<i>n.</i> the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual
468. inc_____ly cheerful character	<i>adv.</i> in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
469. tw_____d approach	<i>adj.</i> consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree
470. pe_____el evaluation	<i>n.</i> a group of people who are employed in an organization or one of the armed forces; the department responsible for hiring, training, and placing employees

ANSWERS: 461. waive, 462. immediately, 463. surge, 464. extreme, 465. cybersecurity, 466. tradition, 467. treasury, 468. incredibly, 469. twofold, 470. personnel

471. em____ng technologies	<i>adj.</i> starting to exist, mature, or become well-known
472. d__e off a cliff	<i>v.</i> to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater
473. op_____ne occasion	<i>adj.</i> suitable or happening at a time that is suitable or convenient for a particular purpose
474. total dis_____le income	<i>adj.</i> designed to be used once and then thrown away
475. ha____ot countries	<i>n.</i> a person or group who lacks the necessities of life, such as adequate food, shelter, or economic resources, often contrasted with a "have" or someone who has abundance or wealth
476. sp____l staircase	<i>n.</i> a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around
477. ig____e her advice	<i>v.</i> to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
478. acc_____te a chemical reaction	<i>v.</i> to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly
479. met_____gy for optimizing	<i>n.</i> a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something
480. sur_____nce cameras	<i>n.</i> the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected
481. a me____n strip	<i>n.</i> the value separating the higher half from the lower half of a set of values arranged in order of size

ANSWERS: 471. emerging, 472. dive, 473. opportune, 474. disposable, 475. have-not, 476. spiral, 477. ignore, 478. accelerate, 479. methodology, 480. surveillance, 481. median

482. be___l solution	<i>n.</i> something that is considered the most important or all-encompassing aspect of a particular thing or concept
483. gov_____nt funding	<i>n.</i> the group of people with authority to control a country or state
484. tr_____on cubic feet	<i>n.</i> the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
485. up_____e a product	<i>v.</i> to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard
486. sk_____al scientists	<i>adj.</i> doubting that something is accurate or useful
487. stubborn dis_____er	<i>n.</i> a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea
488. his conclusion was ob_____s	<i>adj.</i> easy to see, discover or understand
489. a f_n of a plane	<i>n.</i> a thin flat part on the body of a fish or other aquatic animal used for propulsion or balance
490. algebraic ine_____ty	<i>n.</i> the unfairness of a society in which some people have more opportunity, money, etc. than others; (mathematics) relation between two values when they are different
491. b__s against a big company	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment
492. psy_____gy of crowd	<i>n.</i> the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 482. be-all, 483. government, 484. trillion, 485. upgrade, 486. skeptical, 487. disbeliever, 488. obvious, 489. fin, 490. inequality, 491. bias, 492. psychology

493. na_____ly regenerated forest	<i>adv.</i> as might be expected; by natural manners
494. death from sh__k	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant
495. res_____le action	<i>adj.</i> answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
496. 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
497. 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
498. unn_____ry expense	<i>adj.</i> not needed or required; not essential or important
499. the ba_____e of power	<i>n.</i> a condition in which everything has the same weight or force; something left after other parts have been taken away
500. dis_____ary power	<i>adj.</i> subject to one's judgment or decision; available for use as needed or desired
501. pr_____ic politics	<i>adj.</i> practical rather than idealistic
502. global pa_____ic	<i>n.</i> an outbreak of a disease that affects many people over a very wide area
503. ec_____y class	<i>n.</i> 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: 493. naturally, 494. shock, 495. responsible, 496. nation, 497. talent, 498. unnecessary, 499. balance, 500. discretionary, 501. pragmatic, 502. pandemic, 503. economy

504. boundless gen_____ty	<i>n.</i> the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
505. ap_____ze for being late	<i>v.</i> to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem
506. pro_____on of disease	<i>n.</i> the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
507. ep_____e of vertigo	<i>n.</i> a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness
508. act of gen_____ty	<i>n.</i> the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely
509. an unf_____te situation	<i>adj.</i> having bad luck or fortune; unlucky
510. the ul_____te goal in life	<i>adj.</i> furthest or highest in degree or order
511. bu____u of statistics	<i>n.</i> an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information
512. a rid_____us suggestion	<i>adj.</i> very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at
513. co_____se the text	<i>v.</i> to reduce the volume or size of something, often by removing water or other liquid; to make something shorter, more concise, or more concentrated
514. ov_____lm opponents by numbers	<i>v.</i> to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

ANSWERS: 504. generosity, 505. apologize, 506. progression, 507. episode, 508. generosity, 509. unfortunate, 510. ultimate, 511. bureau, 512. ridiculous, 513. condense, 514. overwhelm

515. muscular st____th	<i>n.</i> the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
516. electronic de____e	<i>n.</i> a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic
517. ad____e the technology	<i>v.</i> to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way
518. ma____n error	<i>n.</i> the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
519. benefits ac____e to the community	<i>v.</i> (of a benefit or sum of money) to increase or accumulate in number or amount over a period of time
520. ha____e a precious object	<i>v.</i> to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion
521. 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
522. raw ta____t	<i>n.</i> a natural ability to be good at something; someone who has a natural ability to be good at something
523. 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

ANSWERS: 515. strength, 516. device, 517. advance, 518. margin, 519. accrue, 520. handle, 521. coronavirus, 522. talent, 523. optimism

524. di____e backgrounds	<i>adj.</i> including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various
525. ind____us worker	<i>adj.</i> hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort
526. even more unf____ely	<i>adv.</i> by bad luck; unluckily
527. ubi____us across ecosystems	<i>adj.</i> being or existing everywhere at once
528. tre____us popularity	<i>adj.</i> very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good
529. big, b__d piano sounds	<i>adj.</i> brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
530. cl____e plot	<i>n.</i> a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement
531. opt____ic outlook	<i>adj.</i> hoping or expecting that good thing will happen or something will be successful
532. a profit ma____n	<i>n.</i> the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold
533. many tr____ons of dollars	<i>n.</i> the number 1,000,000,000,000; a million million
534. traditionally und____ed	<i>adj.</i> inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
535. the sha____er's meeting	<i>n.</i> a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

ANSWERS: 524. diverse, 525. industrious, 526. unfortunately, 527. ubiquitous, 528. tremendous, 529. bold, 530. cliché, 531. optimistic, 532. margin, 533. trillion, 534. underserved, 535. shareholder

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| 536. sac_____ct tradition | <i>adj.</i> considered to be holy and deserving of respect and reverence |
| 537. a high per_____ge | <i>n.</i> the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred |
| 538. play ha__c in the mind | <i>n.</i> widespread destruction or devastation, often caused by natural disasters, war, or other violent events |
| 539. unemployment com_____ion | <i>n.</i> something especially money, given or received as payment or reparation for a service or loss or injury |
| 540. ca_____te his credit score | <i>v.</i> to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics |

ANSWERS: 536. sacrosanct, 537. percentage, 538. havoc, 539. compensation, 540. calculate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. I will _____ my car before I go on a road trip.
v. to provide coverage in the event of loss or damage
2. She had _____ a fortune through wise investments and shrewd business decisions.
v. to accumulate or gather a large quantity of something over time; to collect or assemble for future use or reference
3. The threat of losing his job was the _____ he needed to work harder.
n. a thing that encourages someone to do something; any sharply pointed projection; (verb) to incite or stimulate someone or something
4. The financial industry _____ was responsible for ensuring that companies followed the laws.
n. a person or thing that controls or balances something; a person or an organization that is responsible for control and supervision of a particular activity or area of public interest
5. Several cities are experiencing _____ high unemployment rates.
adv. in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
6. Could you help me _____ some furniture?
n. a slight transition in position, direction, or trend
7. Her _____ is to be a mother.
n. something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first

ANSWERS: 1. insure, 2. amassed, 3. spur, 4. regulator, 5. incredibly, 6. shift, 7. priority

8. The spy's mission was to gather intelligence on enemy territories through covert _____.

- n.* the act or process of penetrating or entering something, often forcefully or with difficulty; the depth or extent to which something has been entered or understood

9. He claimed _____ for the injury.

- n.* something especially money, given or received as payment or reparation for a service or loss or injury

10. The leaves of the fern were arranged in a _____ pattern.

- n.* a curve that coils around a central point and gets progressively farther away from it as it goes around

11. I asked the lawyer to initiate _____ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

- n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money

12. We all should learn how to _____ stress.

- v.* to deal with a situation, problem, or strong emotion

13. The _____ chip in my credit card allows me to make contactless payments.

- adj.* fixed firmly into the surface of something

14. It's an excellent opportunity to _____ our networking.

- v.* to improve the value or usefulness of something such as a machine, computer system, etc., or to replace it with something newer or of a higher standard

15. Using the same _____ phrase in every conversation can take time and effort.

- n.* a phrase or expression that has become overused to the point that it has lost its original impact or meaning; a trite or unoriginal idea or statement

ANSWERS: 8. penetration, 9. compensation, 10. spiral, 11. creditor, 12. handle, 13. embedded, 14. upgrade, 15. cliché

16. The unemployment rate in the first _____ was 2.3 percentage points higher than in the previous.

n. one of four equal parts; a fourth part or portion

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

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

18. The bid _____ for this auction is \$100.

n. a regular increase in the amount of something, such as money; a process of becoming larger, longer, or more important

19. The store is _____ empty.

adv. almost or nearly

20. Initially, we must _____ all project-related expenses.

v. to study or consider a person or object attentively and thoroughly to learn something about them

21. The phone rang at the most _____ time.

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

22. 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

23. We can resolve support requests quickly and _____ by utilization of AI.

adv. in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense

ANSWERS: 16. quarter, 17. wages, 18. increment, 19. practically, 20. examine, 21. opportune, 22. advantages, 23. efficiently

24. We had a _____ time yesterday.

adj. very great in degree or extent or amount or impact; extremely good

25. 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

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

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

27. She volunteers at a local _____ every weekend to help those in need.

n. an organization that helps people in need, especially by providing food, shelter, or money; a kindly and sympathetic attitude toward people

28. 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

29. 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: 24. tremendous, 25. coronavirus, 26. responsible, 27. charity, 28. platform, 29. economy

30. The _____ used in this country is the Euro.

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

31. Her visit will _____ from Monday to Friday.

v. to broaden in scope, range, or area

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

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

33. The old building _____ in a fiery inferno.

v. to burst or break open violently and noisily; to cause something to burst or break open

34. The _____ of the small bakery was always friendly and welcoming.

n. a person who owns and runs a business, especially a hotel, a shop, or a company

35. 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

36. She spoke with _____ about the importance of education.

n. a strong belief or opinion, especially one that is based on principles or evidence; (criminal law) a final judgment of guilty in a criminal case and the punishment that is imposed

37. The majority of synthetic vitamins are _____ from oil.

v. to make goods in large numbers, usually in a factory using machines

ANSWERS: 30. currency, 31. extend, 32. fins, 33. exploded, 34. proprietor, 35. tradition, 36. conviction, 37. manufactured

38. Everyone regarded the theory he advocated as _____ but was later proven correct.

adj. very silly or unreasonable and deserving to be laughed at

39. She researched gender _____ in politics.

n. a strong feeling in favor of or against one group of people, an idea, or thing, often not based on fair judgment

40. I want to put that _____ of my life behind me.

n. a happening or story that is distinctive in a series of related events; an abrupt short period during which someone suffers from the effects of a physical or mental illness

41. The hotel is famous for its _____ including the casino.

n. public shows, films, television, or other performances or activities of enjoying people

42. The _____ demonstrate that poverty and unemployment are genuine problems.

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

43. Try to keep a _____ between work and off.

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

44. He kept his robust _____ in his company.

n. complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.

ANSWERS: 38. ridiculous, 39. bias, 40. episode, 41. entertainment, 42. statistics, 43. balance, 44. faith

45. The outermost _____ shell determines the chemical properties of an atom.
n. a tiny particle with the negative electrical charge
46. He was a _____ leader who made decisions based on what was practical rather than ideal.
adj. practical rather than idealistic
47. When performing an organ transplant, it is necessary to test for compatibility between the donor and _____.
n. a person who receives something
48. My home is easily _____ from the shore.
adj. capable of being seen; or open to easy view
49. The police officer fired a warning shot that _____ off the pavement and hit a nearby car.
v. to rebound or deflect off a surface at an angle or series of angles, changing direction multiple times; to have a sudden and unintended effect or outcome; (noun) the motion of an object or a projectile that is deflected off a surface
50. This area is medically _____.
adj. inadequately or insufficiently provided with help, products, or services
51. He has _____ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.
n. a condition or state that causes problems
52. Every human is responsible for taking care of the Earth's _____.
n. the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live

ANSWERS: 45. electron, 46. pragmatic, 47. recipient, 48. visible, 49. ricocheted, 50. underserved, 51. difficulty, 52. environment

53. To advance this discussion, we must _____ "success" rigorously.
- v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
54. What is the entry _____ for this course?
- n.* something that is needed or wanted
55. We can evaluate the performance of an _____ in terms of computation time.
- n.* a set of rules or rigorous instructions typically used to solve a specific problem or to perform a computation
56. The stock prices have _____ in the last hour, causing concern for investors.
- v.* to fall or drop suddenly and steeply; to decline rapidly or sharply
57. After the accident, three governmental bodies _____ the company.
- v.* to oversee and control the operation or arrangement of something
58. 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
59. 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
60. There is a significant _____ in pay between men and women in the company.
- n.* a significant difference or inequality between two or more things

ANSWERS: 53. define, 54. requirement, 55. algorithm, 56. plummeted, 57. administer, 58. talents, 59. struggle, 60. disparity

61. The heavy snow has been _____ since last morning.

adj. occurring or existing without a pause or interruption

62. Eyeless fish _____ in dark caves.

v. to develop gradually, or to cause the development of something or someone gradually

63. The former emperor had a particular _____ even after he abdicated.

n. the ability to affect someone's or something's character, growth, or behavior, or the effect itself

64. The novel contains a criticism of the _____ society.

n. the act of carefully monitoring a person suspected of a crime or a place where a crime may be committed or expected

65. I need to _____ some business at the bank before it closes.

v. to carry out or conduct a business or other transaction; to complete or fulfill an agreement, deal, or contract

66. I went to the _____ of motor vehicles to renew my driver's license.

n. an office or agency that specializes in a particular type of work, often related to collecting or compiling data or information

67. The _____ for the new marketing campaign was significant but worth it.

n. an amount of money that is expended or spent, particularly on a specific project or purchase

68. We _____ for an overseas expansion.

v. to try or plan to get or achieve something

ANSWERS: 61. continuous, 62. evolved, 63. influence, 64. surveillance, 65. transact, 66. bureau, 67. outlay, 68. aim

69. The case fell under the _____ of the state court system.

- n.* the extent or range of authority, power, or control exercised by a particular entity or organization, such as a government or court; the area within which such authority or control is exercised

70. I made a _____ at the bank to add money to my account.

- n.* a sum of money or materials placed or kept in a bank, safety deposit box, or other secure places for safekeeping; a layer of rock, sand, or other material left behind by a flowing liquid or eroding force

71. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their _____.

- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

72. 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

73. A smaller car will _____ less fuel.

- v.* to spend something, especially fuel, energy, or time, in a large amount

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

- adv.* now or without delay

75. He has been advised to reduce his daily fat _____.

- n.* the act or process of taking food, air, etc., into your body through the mouth; the amount of food, air, or another substance that you take into your body

76. The sudden _____ of the king was a shock to everyone and threw the kingdom into chaos.

- n.* death or the end of something

ANSWERS: 69. jurisdiction, 70. deposit, 71. critics, 72. rescue, 73. consume, 74. immediately, 75. intake, 76. demise

77. She _____ denounced the government's mishandling of the economic crisis.

adv. in a manner accessible to or observable by the public; by the government

78. It's notoriously challenging to _____ birth rates.

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

79. The chief _____ mixed the ingredients to create a new and exciting cocktail.

n. a person who serves drinks, especially alcoholic beverages, at a bar

80. He couldn't _____ the actual value of the artwork.

v. to judge or find out the amount or number of something by using mathematics

81. Unfortunately, the book's _____ was too small to make notes.

n. the space around the edge of a page or document; (finance) the net sales minus the cost of goods and services sold

82. The _____ of the payment was delayed due to a technical error.

n. the act of sending money or paying a debt; a sum of money sent as payment or as a gift

83. I _____ you've already made plans for the weekend since you didn't respond to my invitation.

v. to suppose or assume something to be true, often without sufficient evidence or proof; to take liberties, behave impolitely, or overstep one's bounds, often due to arrogance or ignorance

84. The _____ bonus was a nice surprise for the employees.

adj. subject to one's judgment or decision; available for use as needed or desired

ANSWERS: 77. publicly, 78. predict, 79. bartender, 80. calculate, 81. margin, 82. remittance, 83. presume, 84. discretionary

85. The _____ increase in sales was unexpected but welcomed by the company.

adj. consisting of two parts or aspects; doubled in size, quantity, or degree

86. Your _____ reflects your thoughts.

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

87. The _____ of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

n. a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization

88. This business yields little _____.

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

89. There's a new _____ of hero in the movies now.

n. a type of product, service, etc., made by a particular company and sold under a specific name; identification mark on the skin of livestock, criminals, etc., made by burning

90. Did this response _____ your request?

v. to make somebody pleased by giving them what they want or need

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

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

92. As the use of technology continues to increase in everyday life, _____ awareness and education become even more important

n. the practice of protecting computers, servers, mobile devices, electronic systems, networks, and data from unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification, or destruction

ANSWERS: 85. twofold, 86. conversation, 87. branch, 88. profit, 89. brand, 90. satisfy, 91. movement, 92. cybersecurity

93. He is remembered for his _____ and civilization.

- n.* the fact or quality of being willing to do kind things or give somebody money, gifts, or time freely

94. 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

95. The government tried to _____ the commercialization of this development.

- v.* to make something faster or earlier; to cause to develop or progress more quickly

96. I received a bonus on top of my regular _____ this month.

- n.* a check issued to an employee as payment for work or services rendered; the amount of money received in this check

97. The university has established a capacity for each nationality as part of its _____ policy.

- adj.* including much or everything, and especially including stated limits; not excluding any of the people, things, ideas, etc. involved in something

98. My father was _____ for so long.

- adj.* not having a job, although able to work

99. They traditionally _____ their guru.

- v.* to have or show a strong feeling of profound respect and admiration for a religious entity such as God or a god

100. We had raised a small amount of money from investors, but funds were _____.

- adj.* not enough for a particular purpose

ANSWERS: 93. generosity, 94. boundary, 95. accelerate, 96. paycheck, 97. inclusive, 98. unemployed, 99. worship, 100. insufficient

101. I prefer using _____ razors because they are more convenient.

adj. designed to be used once and then thrown away

102. The _____ to the safe was a secret.

n. a collection of things that have been combined; an assemblage of separate parts or qualities

103. 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

104. The _____ of support from the community was overwhelming after the tragic event.

n. a sudden and abundant flow or expression of thoughts, feelings, emotion, or information; an overwhelming amount of something expressed in a short period of time

105. Electronic _____ remain incomplete due to system errors.

n. an instance of buying or selling something; the act or process of doing something

106. She explained the _____ surrounding the accident.

n. the specific conditions or events that surround a particular situation or occurrence

107. A lack of education can be a significant _____ in today's job market.

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

ANSWERS: 101. disposable, 102. combination, 103. involves, 104. outpouring, 105. transactions, 106. circumstances, 107. disadvantage

108. The Prohibition amendment made bootlegging _____.

adj. making or likely to make material gain or profit

109. Four companies were amalgamated into a single _____.

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

110. His final goal is to sail around the _____.

n. the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness

111. 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

112. The government is eager to _____ international investment.

v. to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones

113. They fear a _____ of a new type of virus.

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

114. The lawyer's _____ for the case was \$10,000.

n. a sum of money charged for a particular service

115. Trial and error is an _____ part of education.

adj. indispensable; fundamental

116. A _____ brushing helps to keep your mouth fresh.

adj. done completely; significantly careful and accurate

ANSWERS: 108. profitable, 109. corporation, 110. globe, 111. encouraged, 112. attract, 113. pandemic, 114. fee, 115. essential, 116. thorough

117. Both parties are now entirely ideologically _____.

v. to put or arrange two or more things in a straight line or to form a straight line

118. The _____ accident caused many injuries and some fatalities.

adj. having bad luck or fortune; unlucky

119. This shipping company has several hundred _____ ships.

n. a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods

120. The tradition of the annual family reunion is _____ and must be upheld.

adj. considered to be holy and deserving of respect and reverence

121. Her response revealed _____ idiocy.

adj. unbelievable; enormous

122. _____ elections were held in several European countries.

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

123. Going to college is often seen as the _____ and end-all for success in life.

n. something that is considered the most important or all-encompassing aspect of a particular thing or concept

124. The majority of consumers _____ this brand with quality.

v. to mentally connect someone or something with someone or something else

125. A good _____ is never out of season.

n. a well-known phrase that expresses a general or fundamental truth, principle, or rule for behavior

ANSWERS: 117. aligned, 118. unfortunate, 119. merchant, 120. sacrosanct, 121. incredible, 122. Communal, 123. be-all, 124. associate, 125. maxim

126. He got an electric _____ at work.

- n.* a strong feeling or physical reaction to a sudden and unexpected event or experience, especially something unpleasant

127. After working as a _____ for a few years, she was promoted to a managerial position within the grocery store.

- n.* an employee responsible for handling transactions, such as payments or returns, in a store or other business

128. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing _____.

- n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.

129. He kept a ____ on his expenses by writing them down in a notebook.

- n.* a small flap or strip of material attached to or projecting from something; the key on a typewriter or a word processor that causes a tabulation; a bill

130. The baby clung _____ to her mother.

- adv.* in a way that shows a lack of hope and a willingness to do anything because of the problematic situation; with great urgency

131. It is an incredible _____ to climb Mount Everest, the highest mountain in the world.

- n.* a notable or impressive achievement, especially one that requires great skill or bravery

132. Many companies outsource and hire consultants to keep their _____ flexible.

- n.* all the people who work in a company, industry, country, etc.

133. The athlete's performance _____ all expectations, breaking a world record.

- v.* to surpass or go beyond a limit, expectation, or requirement; to be better or greater than anticipated or desired

ANSWERS: 126. shock, 127. cashier, 128. strategy, 129. tab, 130. desperately, 131. feat, 132. workforce, 133. exceeded

134. Sugar is _____ in food.

adj. being or existing everywhere at once

135. The restaurant's service was _____ slow.

adv. in a way that is not acceptable or satisfactory

136. Too much variety may _____ and confuse viewers.

v. to defeat someone or something by using a great deal of force; to have a strong emotional effect on somebody

137. Two-percent interest will _____ on your savings account.

v. (of a benefit or sum of money) to increase or accumulate in number or amount over a period of time

138. 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

139. The marathon runner covered a long _____ in a short amount of time.

n. the amount of space between two points, measured in units such as miles, meters, or kilometers; the extent, scope, or range between two things, such as distance or emotional distance

140. The Chinese word for _____ comprises two characters, one for danger and the other for opportunity.

n. a time of great disagreement, confusion, or danger when problems must be resolved or critical decisions must be taken

ANSWERS: 134. ubiquitous, 135. unacceptably, 136. overwhelm, 137. accrue, 138. develop, 139. distance, 140. crisis

141. _____ technologies have dramatically improved productivity in various industries.

adj. starting to exist, mature, or become well-known

142. The oil price continued their downward _____.

n. a general direction in which something is changing or developing

143. Stock prices _____ daily based on market demand and supply.

v. to rise and fall irregularly or unexpectedly; to vary or change often and unpredictably

144. _____ the bandage tightly around the injured arm.

v. to cover or enclose something entirely with paper, cloth, or other material

145. Cryptocurrencies are only one form of implementation of _____ technology.

n. a system in which a growing list of payment records, called blocks, made in cryptocurrency is maintained across several computers that are securely linked

146. The neighborhood is _____ made up of young families with children.

adv. mainly, mostly, or primarily; having the greatest influence or power in a particular situation or group

147. Writing a research paper can be a _____ task.

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

148. Our CEO's _____ are always transparent and straightforward.

n. something you want to do and are going to do

ANSWERS: 141. Emerging, 142. trend, 143. fluctuate, 144. Wrap, 145. blockchain, 146. predominantly, 147. time-consuming, 148. intentions

149. 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

150. The storm wreaked _____ on the town, causing widespread damage and power outages.

- n.* widespread destruction or devastation, often caused by natural disasters, war, or other violent events

151. Solar gravity creates _____ pressures and temperatures.

- adj.* very great in amount or degree

152. Scientific knowledge will _____ significantly with the power of AI.

- v.* to go or move forward; to develop in a positive way

153. How can you _____ that the earth is a sphere?

- v.* to display something or give an exhibition to an interested audience

154. She had a master's degree in _____.

- n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

155. Please forward the resumes to the _____ department.

- n.* a group of people who are employed in an organization or one of the armed forces; the department responsible for hiring, training, and placing employees

156. The extra steps in the process were deemed _____ and removed to streamline production.

- adj.* not needed or required; not essential or important

ANSWERS: 149. nation, 150. havoc, 151. extreme, 152. advance, 153. demonstrate, 154. psychology, 155. personnel, 156. unnecessary

157. The new phone is waterproof and can _____ being dropped in water.

v. to resist the effect or impact of something

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

adj. including numerous categories of individuals or entities; various

159. I need to _____ my car regularly to prevent any major mechanical issues.

v. to continue to uphold or sustain; to keep in a particular state or condition; to assert or declare something to be true

160. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.

v. to intentionally not listen or pay attention to

161. There are several causes of economic _____ within societies.

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

162. Our company is committed to increasing _____ value.

n. a person who owns shares of stock in a company or business and therefore gets the company's profit and has the right to control the company

163. His estate was _____ to his sons.

v. to give something to a large number of individuals, or to spread or furnish something

164. He was known to be very _____ and would often work late into the night.

adj. hardworking, diligent, and persistent in effort

ANSWERS: 157. withstand, 158. diverse, 159. maintain, 160. ignored, 161. inequality, 162. shareholder, 163. distributed, 164. industrious

165. What are your annual _____ expectations?

- n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month

166. 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

167. The band played a beautiful _____ on their instruments.

- n.* a musical composition or set of musical notes that are played or sung; (verb) to adjust or set something to a specific condition or standard

168. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.

- adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

169. When making arrests, police officers frequently _____ excessive force.

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

170. Because of his excellent performance, he will _____ be promoted.

- adv.* in a manner that cannot be avoided or prevented

171. The _____ population has been increasing rapidly in recent years.

- n.* an administrative division of a country or state, typically one of several comprising a larger division

172. This conduct would be an invasion of _____.

- n.* someone's right to keep their personal matters and relationships not watched or interrupted by other people

ANSWERS: 165. salary, 166. sector, 167. tune, 168. vulnerable, 169. employ, 170. inevitably, 171. county's, 172. privacy

173. After the valves were closed, the _____ halted.

n. the leakage of fluid from a container; a natural flow of groundwater

174. 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

175. The _____ office has decided to lay off 10% of the workforce.

adj. of or relating to a large company

176. The ship navigated through the _____ with great care.

n. a narrow stretch of water or sea connecting two larger bodies of water or seas

177. This company has invested heavily in Internet _____.

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

178. The national assembly has _____ the budget.

v. to choose to follow something; to legally take a child from another family and care for them as if they were one's own

179. We are developing a new _____ for assessing marketing measures.

n. a set of ways or principles of doing, teaching, or studying something

180. Tech companies often employ _____ ducts and other materials in their office interiors.

adj. having no protection or shield from something, such as bad weather, attack, or criticism

181. Relations between the two countries have been relatively _____ due to the summit meeting.

adj. firm and steady; not easily moved, disturbed, or changed

ANSWERS: 173. outflow, 174. government, 175. corporate, 176. strait, 177. commerce, 178. adopted, 179. methodology, 180. exposed, 181. stable

182. The latest _____ of funding will help the company expand its operations.

- n.* a portion or segment of something, especially a financial investment that is divided or allocated according to a specific criterion or formula

183. 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

184. The customs officer required the traveler to _____ his suitcase.

- v.* to open something, such as a door, window, etc., usually using a key

185. Due to the pandemic, many doctors have started offering _____ appointments.

- n.* the remote diagnosis and treatment of patients using telecommunications technology, such as video conferencing, phone calls, or messaging services

186. This book provides children with ideas and a _____ for outside recreation.

- n.* something that causes growth or arouses action

187. _____ annual income fell last year in this country.

- n.* the value separating the higher half from the lower half of a set of values arranged in order of size

188. He _____ the disappointing results to the economic downturn.

- v.* to say or regard that something is the result of a particular thing; (noun) a quality or feature that someone or something possesses;

189. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.

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

ANSWERS: 182. tranche, 183. optimism, 184. unlock, 185. telemedicine, 186. stimulus, 187. Median, 188. attributes, 189. locate

190. He cannot _____ a holiday.

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

191. The _____ donor's contribution to the charity greatly impacted the lives of those it served.

adj. well-meaning and kind; serving a charitable or philanthropic purpose

192. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.

adj. easy to see, discover or understand

193. This train departed later than _____ scheduled.

adv. at the beginning; at first

194. The new amusement park ride was _____ with twists, turns, and drops that left riders screaming with excitement.

adj. extremely good; excellent

195. What is the _____ of the consumption tax in the United States?

n. the number, amount, or rate of something, which is usually the amount per hundred

196. His religious and philosophical beliefs were utterly _____.

adj. doubting that something is accurate or useful

197. This high-performance camera is compact enough to fit in the _____ of your hand.

n. the inner surface of the hand from the wrist to the base of the fingers; any plant of the family Palmae having an unbranched trunk crowned by large pinnate or palmate leaves

ANSWERS: 190. afford, 191. benevolent, 192. obvious, 193. initially, 194. fantastic, 195. percentage, 196. skeptical, 197. palm

198. _____ also guarantees intellectual property rights and thus promotes innovation.
- n.* an economic system based on the private ownership of the means of production and their operation for profit
199. I _____ to him that I had seen his sister at the grocery store earlier that day.
- v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
200. The _____ in our society often struggle to afford necessities like healthcare and education.
- n.* a person or group who lacks the necessities of life, such as adequate food, shelter, or economic resources, often contrasted with a "have" or someone who has abundance or wealth
201. The homeowners decided to _____ the inspection fee for the interested buyers to make the sale smoother.
- v.* to give up or relinquish a claim or right voluntarily; to refrain from insisting on or enforcing a requirement or rule
202. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
- adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
203. We must manage to _____ our expenditure.
- v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
204. The organization held _____ consultations to gather input on the project.
- n.* a person or group that has an interest or concern in something, especially a business
205. 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

ANSWERS: 198. Capitalism, 199. mentioned, 200. have-nots, 201. waive, 202. amazing, 203. regulate, 204. stakeholder, 205. individual,

206. Most executives were _____ about future business conditions.

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

207. Getting a raise at work was the _____ to start looking for a new place to live.

n. a force, motivation, or stimulus that causes something to happen or be done; the driving force behind a particular action or change

208. _____ the ceremony was held outdoors.

adv. in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way

209. That company is cautious when it comes to _____ investment.

n. the value of the shares issued by a company

210. The news of her promotion _____ her.

v. to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

211. The _____ industry has been affected by the rise of online shopping.

n. the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets

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

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

213. _____ advances have disrupted many industries.

adj. based on scientific and industrial progress

214. I _____ for neglecting your email.

v. to express regret for committing wrongdoing or causing a problem

ANSWERS: 206. optimistic, 207. impetus, 208. Traditionally, 209. equity, 210. excited, 211. retail, 212. expenses, 213. Technological, 214. apologize

215. 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

216. She struggled to _____ the word in a foreign language.

v. to say or speak (a word or words) correctly or in a particular way

217. The birds found _____ spots in the trees to avoid the rain.

adj. protected or shielded from danger or harmful influences; inexperienced or innocent of certain unpleasantness or harsh realities of life

218. 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

219. The effort to alleviate climate change needs _____ action.

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

220. As a witness, I can _____ his innocence.

v. to formally state, especially in writing, that something is true

221. These articles cite five _____ of climate change.

n. a particular example or single occurrence of something

222. The detective looked for fingerprints on the window _____.

n. a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window

223. I can't _____ my work responsibilities, even when taking a break is tempting.

v. to avoid or neglect one's responsibilities or duties; to evade or dodge something that one is expected or required to do

ANSWERS: 215. progression, 216. pronounce, 217. sheltered, 218. identity, 219. bold, 220. certify, 221. instances, 222. frame, 223. shirk

224. The mobile application industry is a _____ one.

adj. involving competition or competitiveness

225. I need to _____ all of my notes into a manageable summary for my presentation.

v. to reduce the volume or size of something, often by removing water or other liquid; to make something shorter, more concise, or more concentrated

226. I need to upgrade my _____ computer since it's become quite slow.

n. a flat working surface or table that is usually placed on top of a desk, typically used for a computer or other work-related activities

227. 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

228. The _____ deadline for submitting the project is tomorrow, so we need to work efficiently to finish on time.

adj. resolute or unwavering in decision-making or action; strong or secure in structure, make, or composition; reliable, trustworthy, or dependable; (noun) a business or company

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

adv. by bad luck; unluckily

230. One light year is nearly 6 _____ miles.

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

231. The products they sell are the _____ for performance in the industry.

n. a starting point or minimum for comparing facts; the back line bounding each end of a tennis or handball court

ANSWERS: 224. competitive, 225. condense, 226. desktop, 227. digital, 228. firm, 229. unfortunately, 230. trillion, 231. baseline

232. The team's failure to win games has caused them to _____ in confidence.

- v.* to move or develop backward; to return to an earlier or less advanced state or condition; to decline or deteriorate

233. People select Internet _____ not only in terms of price but also in terms of transmission speed.

- n.* a person or an organization that supplies somebody with something needed or wanted

234. I don't like it when people try to _____ me about my personal choices.

- v.* to express or teach a moral lesson or principle, often in a self-righteous or didactic way; to reflect on the ethical or moral aspects of a situation or behavior

235. This product can spread the cement _____.

- adv.* in equal amounts or shares; in a balanced or impartial way

236. Internet traffic volumes have increased significantly with the advent of _____.

- n.* a mobile phone that functions as a computer and connects to the Internet

237. Management must take _____ responsibility for the accident.

- adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order

238. The car's _____ was impressive, going from 0 to 60 mph in just 5 seconds.

- n.* a rate of increase in velocity; the rate of change of velocity with respect to time

239. To find drunk drivers, police conduct _____ tests.

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

ANSWERS: 232. regress, 233. providers, 234. moralize, 235. evenly, 236. smartphones, 237. ultimate, 238. acceleration, 239. random

240. The organizational _____ of start-ups is often flat and straightforward.

- n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts

241. I'm strongly _____ to that plan.

- adj.* being completely different from something or disagreeing strongly with something

242. The phenomenon is _____ at optical wavelengths.

- adj.* impossible or nearly impossible to see

243. Despite the evidence, she remained a _____ in the theory of evolution.

- n.* a person who does not believe in something, such as a religion or idea

244. She drowned her _____ of anger through her creative work.

- n.* a sudden and great increase of something, such as a feeling, the amount or number, etc.

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

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

246. The virus has _____ havoc on the healthcare system, overwhelming hospitals and causing shortages of supplies.

- v.* to cause or bring about something, often as a result of harmful or destructive actions or events

247. I will introduce some _____ on learning English in this class.

- n.* the top or extreme point of something slender or tapering, usually a mountain or hill; a piece of advice about something practical; a small amount of money given for services

ANSWERS: 240. structure, 241. opposed, 242. invisible, 243. disbeliever, 244. surge, 245. spirit, 246. wreaked, 247. tips

248. They hope to _____ their business worldwide.

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

249. The politician's _____ actions were met with criticism from the public.

- adj.* concerned primarily with one's interests and needs rather than those of others; motivated by a desire for personal gain or advantage

250. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.

- n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice

251. Making a sharp noise will quickly _____ children's thoughts to the present.

- v.* to change the focus, position, or direction of someone or something

252. The sperm whale can _____ to 1,000 meters.

- v.* to jump into the water with your head and arms going in first, or to move down to a deeper level underwater

253. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

- adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid

254. To get the job, I need to _____ my experience and education.

- v.* to provide someone with certification or verification of their qualifications, usually in a particular field or profession; (noun) a document attesting to the truth of certain stated facts

255. The earthquake resulted in significant _____ destruction.

- adj.* associated with the way on construction or organization of anything

ANSWERS: 248. expand, 249. self-serving, 250. alternative, 251. reorient, 252. dive, 253. massive, 254. credential, 255. structural

256. Parallel lines are, by _____ lines on the same plane that never cross.

- n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol

257. The protracted war nearly depleted the country's _____.

- n.* the government department in charge of managing public funds; the funds of a government or institution or individual

258. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

- n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong

259. She received her _____ in psychology from the university.

- n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment

260. This container has a _____ of 10 cubic meters.

- n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound

261. He was _____ gifted.

- adv.* as might be expected; by natural manners

262. Low sexual _____ typically correlates with low testosterone levels.

- n.* a strong feeling of wanting to have or do something

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

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

264. The chairperson _____ him the right to speak.

- v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

ANSWERS: 256. definition, 257. treasury, 258. strength, 259. degree, 260. volume, 261. naturally, 262. desire, 263. transition, 264. granted

265. I always carry a backup _____ in case my phone runs out of battery.

- n.* a piece of equipment, tool, or technology that serves a particular purpose or function, often mechanical or electronic

266. The policy should increase the country's monetary _____.

- n.* the quality or attribute of being firm and steadfast

267. The era of the industrial revolution was a crucial _____ of history.

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

268. The _____ of the internet has dramatically changed the way we communicate.

- n.* the arrival or beginning of something; the coming of Jesus Christ at his birth

269. We _____ to achieve more wages and safer working conditions.

- v.* to wallop somebody or something with the hand, fist, or weapon; to have an emotional or cognitive impact upon

270. Weather forecasters are predicting the _____ of a heatwave.

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

ANSWERS: 265. device, 266. stability, 267. phase, 268. advent, 269. strike, 270. arrival