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Session 1: Word List

circulate

v. to move continuously or freely around a place or closed system

synonym: flow, disperse, rotate

(1) **circulate** a rumor, (2) **circulate** an agenda before the meeting

The fan **circulates** the air in the room quickly.

fantasy

n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen

synonym: fiction, illusion, fabrication

(1) **fantasy** novel, (2) confuse **fantasy** with reality

Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a **fantasy**.

realm

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

synonym: domain, empire, kingdom

(1) public **realm**, (2) beyond the **realm** of possibility

Her passions are in the **realm** of real-world political affairs.

tower

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

synonym: building, belfry, edifice

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

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

fountain

n. a structure usually consisting of a basin and a jet of water that is sprayed into the air, often used for decoration or as a source of drinking water

synonym : spring, well, spout

(1) **fountain** plaza, (2) decorative **fountain**

The **fountain** in the park provided a relaxing atmosphere.

mysterious

adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement

synonym : enigmatic, cryptic, puzzling

(1) **mysterious** object, (2) **mysterious** stranger

The **mysterious** disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.

extraordinary

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

synonym : exceptional, noteworthy, astonishing

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

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

legend

n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field

synonym : fable, fiction, myth

(1) basketball **legend**, (2) **legend** of King Arthur

Many of the **legends** of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.

mythical

adj. based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination

synonym : mythological, fictitious, legendary

(1) **mythical** heroes, (2) **mythical** world

Many cultures have their **mythical** creatures and legends.

kingdom

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

synonym: empire, realm, land

(1) establish his **kingdom**, (2) a subordinate **kingdom**

By remaining neutral, this **kingdom** continued to exist.

decision

n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options

synonym: choice, determination, judgment

(1) **decision** authority, (2) a selfish **decision**

She was struggling to make a **decision** between two job offers.

myth

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

synonym: fable, legend, lore

(1) the **myth** of an old religion, (2) perpetuate a **myth**

With the financial bubble bursting, the **myth** of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

propel

v. to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force

synonym: drive, push, move

(1) **propel** growth, (2) **propel** the ship

An increase in employment helps **propel** economic growth.

exploration

n. the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place

synonym: inquiry, quest, investigation

(1) future of space **exploration**, (2) an Arctic **exploration**

He called for a careful **exploration** of the consequences.

inspire

v. to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative

synonym: boost, encourage, enlighten

(1) **inspire** a feeling of curiosity, (2) **inspire** him to write a novel

The unique style of this martial arts **inspired** many action film producers.

intercontinental

adj. relating to or occurring between continents, usually referring to travel, communication, or transport

synonym: transoceanic, transcontinental, global

(1) **intercontinental** phone call, (2) **intercontinental** ballistic missile

The airline offers **intercontinental** flights to destinations around the world.

diplomacy

n. the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

synonym: tact, negotiation, delicacy

(1) the language of **diplomacy**, (2) the art of **diplomacy**

Effective **diplomacy** is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.

indirectly

adv. not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something

synonym: circuitously, obliquely, by implication

(1) **indirectly** related, (2) **indirectly** impact

The CEO **indirectly** expressed her disappointment with the project's progress.

embroil

v. to involve or entangle someone or something in a difficult, complicated, or unpleasant situation; to implicate or incriminate

synonym: involve, complicate, entangle

(1) **embroil** him in a controversy, (2) **embroil** in controversy

The scandal **embroiled** the company's CEO and other high-level executives.

religion

n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

synonym: faith, creed, belief

(1) **religion** sociology, (2) freedom of **religion**

Their **religion** strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.

seize

v. to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

synonym: grab, grasp, capture

(1) **seize** a person's property, (2) **seize** the day

He has the superpower to **seize** a business opportunity.

regard

v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

synonym: consider, see, reckon

(1) **regard** him as an enemy, (2) **regard** the situation as unfortunate

Frugality and industry are still **regarded** as virtues.

Christ

n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity

synonym: Savior, Jesus Christ, Jesus

(1) teaching of **Christ**, (2) before **Christ**

Christmas is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.

holy

adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

synonym: sacred, religious, divine

(1) a **holy** man, (2) a **holy** shrine

They gathered to hear the **holy** teachings of the guru.

church

n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination

synonym: chapel, cathedral, synagogue

(1) **church** bell, (2) small **church**

The **church** on the corner is hosting a free community meal

tonight.

vilify

v. to speak or write about someone or something in a way that is likely to make people have a very low opinion of them

synonym : defame, slander, malign

(1) **vilify** the press, (2) publicly **vilify**

The media has been **vilifying** the politician for his controversial statements.

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.

Jewish

adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism

synonym : Judaic

(1) **Jewish** history, (2) **Jewish** culture

My friend is a **Jewish** woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.

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.

crusader

n. a person who is committed to a cause or campaign that they see as being beneficial or righteous; historically, a person who took part in the medieval military campaigns to retake the Holy Land from the Muslims

synonym : advocate, activist, ideologue

(1) anti-corruption **crusader**, (2) a **crusader** for justice

The history books are full of tales of legendary **crusaders** who went on epic adventures.

eager

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

synonym : keen, enthusiastic, ardent

(1) **eager** anticipation, (2) with **eager** eyes

The children were **eager** to start the treasure hunt.

rumor

n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

synonym : gossip, whisper, talk

(1) a false **rumor**, (2) **rumor** mill

There was a baseless **rumor** that the company was going bankrupt.

defeat

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

synonym : conquer, beat, overpower

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

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

enormous

adj. extremely large or great

synonym : huge, giant, gigantic

(1) **enormous** amount, (2) **enormous** potential

Shakespeare's output of poetry was **enormous**.

horde

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

synonym : crowd, swarm, mass

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

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

convert

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

synonym : alter, remake, transform

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

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

tribe

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

synonym: family, clan, kinsfolk

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

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

victory

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

synonym: win, triumph, success

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

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

unreliable

adj. not able to be trusted or depended on

synonym: inconsistent, erratic, undependable

(1) prove **unreliable**, (2) **unreliable** source of information

By incorrect assumption, statistics can be notoriously **unreliable**.

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.

emissary

n. a person sent on a mission or as a representative of an organization or country

synonym: envoy, ambassador, representative

(1) **emissary** of peace, (2) an **emissary** from the company

The **emissary** from the neighboring country arrived with a message of peace.

gap

n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

synonym : opening, lacuna, spread

(1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**
Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.

epic

n. a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive

synonym : legendary, mythical, classical

(1) heroic **epic**, (2) **epic** battle

The military **epic** between the two armies was one for the history books.

poem

n. a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

synonym : ballad, lyric, verse

(1) a narrative **poem**, (2) **poem** to the dead

A great **poem** is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.

bible

n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

synonym : authoritative book, holy book, doctrine

(1) a passage from the **Bible**, (2) believe **Bible** prophecy

Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology **bible**.

fragment

n. a small piece or part broken off or detached

synonym : piece, shard, segment

(1) **fragment** of a text, (2) a broken **fragment**

The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny **fragments** of pottery found at the dig site.

replace

v. to take the place of something

synonym : substitute, supersede, displace

(1) **replace** one word with another, (2) **replace** a phone

Eventually, the new design will **replace** all older models.

command

n. authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something

synonym : control, authority, leadership

(1) **command** and control, (2) **command** a battery

The general gave a **command** to his troops to prepare for battle.

vision

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

synonym : sight, image, concept

(1) a prodigious **vision**, (2) telescopic **vision**

Driving is difficult for me because of my poor **vision**.

march

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

synonym : parade

(1) **march** against the war, (2) **march** east

The troops **marched** shoulder-to-shoulder.

allegedly

adv. according to what has been stated or reported; supposedly

synonym : supposedly, reputedly

(1) **allegedly** guilty, (2) **allegedly** behind the plot

He **allegedly** stole money from the company.

thrill

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

synonym : exhilaration, delight, rush

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

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

stereotype

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

(1) avoid **stereotype**, (2) negative **stereotypes**

Changing **stereotypes** about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

alignment

n. an arrangement in which two or more elements are placed in a straight line or parallel to each other

synonym: conjunction, arrangement, coalition

(1) **alignment** in an organization, (2) be in **alignment**

In the last century, Britain formed a strong **alignment** with Egypt.

indicate

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

synonym: hint, suggest, show

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

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

forgery

n. the act of creating a fake or false document, object, or currency to deceive or defraud others; the item that has been created in such a way

synonym: counterfeit, fake, imitation

(1) **forgery** scam, (2) passport **forgery**

The art museum was forced to close down temporarily due to concerns over **forgery** in their collection.

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.

origin

n. the first existence or beginning of something
synonym : root, source, ancestor

(1) **origin** of information, (2) racial **origin**

There are various hypotheses concerning the **origin** of life.

propaganda

n. information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
synonym : disinformation, misinformation, publicity

(1) **propaganda** campaign, (2) self-serving **propaganda**

The government used **propaganda** pictures to spread its message of national unity.

appeal

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

synonym : request, charm, attraction

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

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

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**.

mapmaking

n. the process of creating maps or charts, including the interpretation of symbols, features, and data and the use of various techniques and technologies to represent geographical or other information in visual form

synonym : cartography, map drawing

(1) digital **mapmaking**, (2) **mapmaking** technology

Many famous explorers were also skilled in the art of **mapmaking**.

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.

rev

n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

synonym : revolution, RPM, speed

(1) low- **rev** engine, (2) **rev** up the crowd

He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud **rev**.

silk

n. a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric

synonym : satin, taffeta, velvet

(1) **silk** road, (2) **silk** fabric

She wore a **silk** dress to the party.

descendant

n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal

synonym : child, offspring, heir

(1) **descendant** of a pioneer, (2) third-generation **descendant**

Those warriors' **descendants** are still skilled archers.

identify

v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are

synonym : determine, specify, recognize

(1) **identify** handwriting, (2) **identify** gene sequences

I will introduce you to how to **identify** the leading causes of the malfunction.

largely

adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

synonym : mainly, chiefly, broadly

(1) **largely** accepted, (2) **largely** mitigate the issue

Nevada is **largely** a desert state.

empire

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

(1) **empire** building, (2) **empire** of the Maya

He has built a thriving e-commerce **empire**.

decline

v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept

synonym: descend, drop, deny

(1) **decline** a job offer, (2) **decline** in quality

As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually **declines**.

pursue

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

synonym: seek, hunt, chase

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

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

alternate

adj. occurring or existing one after the other regularly

synonym: substitute, back up, equivalent

(1) **alternate** choice, (2) every **alternate** year

The cleaning lady comes on **alternate** Wednesdays.

clue

n. an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

synonym: hint, indication, inkling

(1) a **clue** about the crime, (2) a **clue** to the diagnosis

The police couldn't find a **clue** to her whereabouts.

explorer

n. a person who travels to places where no one or few people have been before to find out what is there

synonym: adventurer, trailblazer, scout

(1) team of **explorers**, (2) a polar **explorer**

Aboriginal people killed the **explorer** who entered the sacred

land for them.

pilgrim

n. a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

synonym: traveler, wayfarer, sojourner

(1) shrine for **pilgrims**, (2) **pilgrim** site

The group of **pilgrims** walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.

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.

scholar

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

synonym: professor, pupil, learner

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

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

cartographer

v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools

synonym: mapmaker

(1) expert **cartographer**, (2) **cartographer's** tool

A **cartographer's** job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.

homeland

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

synonym: motherland, native country, fatherland

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

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

scour

v. to clean thoroughly and vigorously by scrubbing or rubbing; to search or examine something thoroughly and systematically

synonym : cleanse, scrub, clean

(1) **scour** a pot, (2) **scour** the Internet

She had to **scour** the kitchen to find a clean dish to use for dinner.

confusion

n. the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty

synonym : disorder, disarray, chaos

(1) administrative **confusion**, (2) in great **confusion**

The sudden policy change has caused **confusion** among employees.

gracious

adj. behaving in a kind, polite and generous way

synonym : cordial, affable, courteous

(1) in a **gracious** manner, (2) **gracious** hospitality

The staff is always helpful and **gracious**.

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.

confuse

v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

synonym : confound, obscure, disorient

(1) **confuse** the listener, (2) **confuse** fantasy with reality

Her remarks **confused** the debate.

emperor

n. the male ruler of an empire

synonym : ruler, king, dictator

(1) **emperor** of Rome, (2) former **emperor**

The **Emperor** once lived in the vast palace.

savvy

n. the condition of being aware of and able to deal with a situation effectively; (adjective) having knowledge and understanding of a particular subject or activity

synonym: know-how, expertise, skill

(1) a **savvy** investor, (2) tech- **savvy**

His business **savvy** was evident in the success of his company.

recognize

v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered

synonym: acknowledge, identify, admit

(1) **recognize** talent, (2) **recognize** achievement

It's important to **recognize** your strengths and weaknesses.

diplomat

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

synonym: envoy, ambassador, representative

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

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

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.

triumph

n. a great victory or achievement

synonym: victory, success, conquest

(1) **triumph** of democracy, (2) **triumph** of the spirit

The team's **triumph** in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

announce

v. to make something known or officially inform people about something

synonym : disclose, declare, broadcast

(1) **announce** candidacy, (2) **announce** the award winners
The third season of the anime show has been **announced**.

fable

n. a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson

synonym : fantasy, story, legend

(1) classic **fable**, (2) moralize a **fable**

In his speech, he quoted a passage from a well-known **fable**.

sovereign

n. a king or queen

synonym : ruler, monarch, majesty

(1) **sovereign** wealth fund, (2) a **sovereign** state

King George was the **sovereign** of England.

await

v. to wait or stay ready for something; to expect or anticipate something

synonym : expect, wait for, anticipate

(1) **await** your reply, (2) **await** a decision

We **await** the results of the election with bated breath.

partnership

n. the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business

synonym : alliance, participation, cooperation

(1) **partnership** across the Atlantic, (2) establish a **partnership**

The military **partnership** between the two countries created tension in the international community.

invade

v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

synonym : intrude, raid, overrun

(1) **invade** other tissues, (2) **invade** his privacy

I have no intention to **invade** your privacy.

troop

n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.

synonym : group, unit, band

(1) the members of a military **troop**, (2) a **troop** of deer
The **troop** of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.

conflict

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

synonym : clash, discord, competition

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

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

increasingly

adv. more and more

synonym : more and more, progressively

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

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

intolerant

adj. the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects

synonym : failure, impotence, shortcoming

(1) an **intolerant** person, (2) **intolerant** of criticism

His **intolerant** attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.

Catholic

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

(1) **catholic** in his tastes, (2) the **Catholic** Church

Sociologists are now interested in **catholic** world peace.

deem

v. to consider or decide something in a particular way

synonym : believe, consider, suppose

(1) **deem** socially responsible, (2) **deem** wrong or inappropriate

Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were **deemed** unsafe.

sect

n. a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

synonym: group, faction, cult

(1) **sect** beliefs, (2) secret **sect**

The minority **sect** believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.

heretical

adj. departing from or opposite to accepted beliefs, standards, or principles of a particular religion

synonym: contrary, unorthodox, profane

(1) regard the view as **heretical**, (2) advocate a **heretical** doctrine

I made the **heretical** suggestion that it might be better to withdraw from the business.

subsequent

adj. happening or occurring later or after something else

synonym: later, following, ensuing

(1) over **subsequent** months, (2) reduce **subsequent** mortality

In the **subsequent** meeting, the team discussed ways to improve productivity.

attempt

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

synonym: endeavor, effort, try

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

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

revered

v. highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities

synonym : respected, admired, honored

(1) **revered** figure, (2) the most **revered** President

The **revered** teacher was loved by her students.

eventually

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

synonym : finally, someday, ultimately

(1) **eventually** become obsolete, (2) **eventually** succeed

The corporation **eventually** dominated the entire tobacco business.

spark

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

synonym : start, inspire, provoke

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

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

fade

v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness

synonym : languish, wither

(1) **fade** away almost completely, (2) **fade** in importance

My memory will **fade**, but my heart will live on.

oblivion

n. the state of being completely forgotten or unknown; the state of being unconscious or unaware; the condition of being destroyed, wiped out, or erased from existence

synonym : limbo, forgetfulness, unawareness

(1) vanish into **oblivion**, (2) drunken **oblivion**

The author's work was forgotten and fell into **oblivion** after his death.

reign

n. the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen

synonym : rule, governance, sovereignty

(1) **reign** of a dictator, (2) **reign** as sovereign

The dictator's **reign** was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.

Session 2: Spelling

1. drunken ob_____on *n.* the state of being completely forgotten or unknown; the state of being unconscious or unaware; the condition of being destroyed, wiped out, or erased from existence
2. ind_____ly impact *adv.* not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something
3. future of space exp_____on *n.* the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
4. in_____te an error *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
5. re____d the situation as unfortunate *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
6. publicly vi____y *v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a way that is likely to make people have a very low opinion of them
7. sc__r a pot *v.* to clean thoroughly and vigorously by scrubbing or rubbing; to search or examine something thoroughly and systematically
8. af____d a high travel cost *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
9. co_____e fantasy with reality *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand

ANSWERS: 1. oblivion, 2. indirectly, 3. exploration, 4. indicate, 5. regard, 6. vilify, 7. scour, 8. afford, 9. confuse

10. teaching of Ch___t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
11. de___t a global power *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
12. le___d of King Arthur *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
13. em_____l in controversy *v.* to involve or entangle someone or something in a difficult, complicated, or unpleasant situation; to implicate or incriminate
14. or___n of information *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
15. pu___e freedoms *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
16. the to__r on a cliff *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
17. en_____us potential *adj.* extremely large or great
18. s__t beliefs *n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream

ANSWERS: 10. Christ, 11. defeat, 12. legend, 13. embroil, 14. origin, 15. pursue, 16. tower, 17. enormous, 18. sect

19. the most re_____d President *v.* highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities
20. vanish into ob_____on *n.* the state of being completely forgotten or unknown; the state of being unconscious or unaware; the condition of being destroyed, wiped out, or erased from existence
21. d__m wrong or inappropriate *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way
22. gr_____us hospitality *adj.* behaving in a kind, polite and generous way
23. in___e other tissues *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
24. re_____ze talent *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
25. his conclusion was ob_____s *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
26. face inc_____gly complicated challenges *adv.* more and more
27. sp__k his interest *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
28. co_____al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
29. re___d him as an enemy *v.* to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way

ANSWERS: 19. revered, 20. oblivion, 21. deem, 22. gracious, 23. invade, 24. recognize, 25. obvious, 26. increasingly, 27. spark, 28. communal, 29. regard

30. al_____ly guilty *adv.* according to what has been stated or reported; supposedly
31. basketball le____d *n.* an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
32. fo_____y scam *n.* the act of creating a fake or false document, object, or currency to deceive or defraud others; the item that has been created in such a way
33. de_____e a job offer *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
34. tech-sa__y *n.* the condition of being aware of and able to deal with a situation effectively; (adjective) having knowledge and understanding of a particular subject or activity
35. self-serving pro_____da *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
36. r_v up the crowd *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
37. pro_____da campaign *n.* information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology
38. a narrative p__m *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery

ANSWERS: 30. allegedly, 31. legend, 32. forgery, 33. decline, 34. savvy, 35. propaganda, 36. rev, 37. propaganda, 38. poem

39. e__c battle *n.* a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive
40. re__n as sovereign *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
41. co____t fat into energy *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
42. re__n of a dictator *n.* the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen
43. co____t base 10 to base 16 *v.* to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
44. re____e one word with another *v.* to take the place of something
45. ig__e a ban *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
46. id____fy gene sequences *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
47. the th___l of speed *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
48. la____y accepted *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
49. mys_____us object *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
50. public re__m *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

ANSWERS: 39. epic, 40. reign, 41. convert, 42. reign, 43. convert, 44. replace, 45. ignore, 46. identify, 47. thrill, 48. largely, 49. mysterious, 50. realm

51. the at____t to rescue the hostages *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
52. inc_____gly become common *adv.* more and more
53. advocate a he_____al doctrine *adj.* departing from or opposite to accepted beliefs, standards, or principles of a particular religion
54. co_____d a battery *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
55. mountain tr__e *n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
56. al_____ly behind the plot *adv.* according to what has been stated or reported; supposedly
57. fo_____in plaza *n.* a structure usually consisting of a basin and a jet of water that is sprayed into the air, often used for decoration or as a source of drinking water
58. over sub_____nt months *adj.* happening or occurring later or after something else
59. a h__y shrine *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion

ANSWERS: 51. attempt, 52. increasingly, 53. heretical, 54. command, 55. tribe, 56. allegedly, 57. fountain, 58. subsequent, 59. holy

69. al_____te choice *adj.* occurring or existing one after the other regularly
70. anti-corruption cr_____er *n.* a person who is committed to a cause or campaign that they see as being beneficial or righteous; historically, a person who took part in the medieval military campaigns to retake the Holy Land from the Muslims
71. co_____e the listener *v.* to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
72. the g_p between ideal and reality *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
73. s__k road *n.* a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric
74. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
75. ch___h bell *n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
76. a polar ex_____er *n.* a person who travels to places where no one or few people have been before to find out what is there
77. pr___l growth *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force

ANSWERS: 69. alternate, 70. crusader, 71. confuse, 72. gap, 73. silk, 74. communal, 75. church, 76. explorer, 77. propel

78. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
79. Je____h history *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
80. prove unr_____le *adj.* not able to be trusted or depended on
81. a selfish de_____on *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
82. p__m to the dead *n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
83. in_____e a feeling of curiosity *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
84. telescopic vi____n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
85. administrative co_____on *n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
86. id_____fy handwriting *v.* to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
87. a h__y man *adj.* of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
88. lo___e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something

ANSWERS: 78. conflict, 79. Jewish, 80. unreliable, 81. decision, 82. poem, 83. inspire, 84. vision, 85. confusion, 86. identify, 87. holy, 88. locate

89. former em____r *n.* the male ruler of an empire
90. regard the view as he_____al *adj.* departing from or opposite to accepted beliefs, standards, or principles of a particular religion
91. sc_____r in international politics *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
92. in a gr_____us manner *adj.* behaving in a kind, polite and generous way
93. in_____e him to write a novel *v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
94. religious fa__h *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
95. en_____us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
96. team of ex_____ers *n.* a person who travels to places where no one or few people have been before to find out what is there
97. establish a par_____ip *n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
98. a bell to__r *n.* a structure that is exceptionally high in proportion to its width and either forms part of a building or stands alone
99. ho__e of attackers *n.* a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled

ANSWERS: 89. emperor, 90. heretical, 91. scholar, 92. gracious, 93. inspire, 94. faith, 95. enormous, 96. explorer, 97. partnership, 98. tower, 99. horde

100. a c__e to the diagnosis *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
101. aw__t your reply *v.* to wait or stay ready for something; to expect or anticipate something
102. fa____y novel *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
103. em___e building *n.* a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
104. unr_____le source of information *adj.* not able to be trusted or depended on
105. ext_____ary weather *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
106. moralize a fa__e *n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
107. a false ru__r *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
108. perpetuate a m__h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
109. racial or___n *n.* the first existence or beginning of something
110. me_____nt bank *n.* a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods

ANSWERS: 100. clue, 101. await, 102. fantasy, 103. empire, 104. unreliable, 105. extraordinary, 106. fable, 107. rumor, 108. myth, 109. origin, 110. merchant

111. in great co_____on *n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
112. incredible th___l *n.* a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
113. freedom of re_____on *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
114. with ea__r eyes *adj.* showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
115. se__e a person's property *v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something
116. a so_____gn state *n.* a king or queen
117. de___t body odor *v.* to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
118. third-generation des_____nt *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
119. an ap___l for help *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
120. the members of a military tr__p *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
121. a c__e about the crime *n.* an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery

ANSWERS: 111. confusion, 112. thrill, 113. religion, 114. eager, 115. seize, 116. sovereign, 117. defeat, 118. descendant, 119. appeal, 120. troop, 121. clue

122. la____y mitigate the issue *adv.* virtually entirely; to a large degree
123. distance g_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
124. an Arctic exp_____on *n.* the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
125. confuse fa____y with reality *n.* a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
126. a cr_____er for justice *n.* a person who is committed to a cause or campaign that they see as being beneficial or righteous; historically, a person who took part in the medieval military campaigns to retake the Holy Land from the Muslims
127. reduce sub_____nt mortality *adj.* happening or occurring later or after something else
128. avoid ste_____pe *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
129. s__k fabric *n.* a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric
130. low-r_v engine *n.* a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute

ANSWERS: 122. largely, 123. gap, 124. exploration, 125. fantasy, 126. crusader, 127. subsequent, 128. stereotype, 129. silk, 130. rev

131. decorative fo____in *n.* a structure usually consisting of a basin and a jet of water that is sprayed into the air, often used for decoration or as a source of drinking water
132. de____on authority *n.* the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
133. ma__h against the war *v.* to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps
134. a passage from the Bi__e *n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
135. in____te a preference *v.* to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
136. digital ma_____ng *n.* the process of creating maps or charts, including the interpretation of symbols, features, and data and the use of various techniques and technologies to represent geographical or other information in visual form
137. eve_____ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
138. vi___y the press *v.* to speak or write about someone or something in a way that is likely to make people have a very low opinion of them

ANSWERS: 131. fountain, 132. decision, 133. march, 134. bible, 135. indicate, 136. mapmaking, 137. eventually, 138. vilify

139. a tr__p of deer *n.* a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
140. at____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
141. re_____ze achievement *v.* to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
142. ob_____s reasons *adj.* easy to see, discover or understand
143. pr___l the ship *v.* to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force
144. a broken fr_____nt *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
145. al_____nt in an organization *n.* an arrangement in which two or more elements are placed in a straight line or parallel to each other
146. par_____ip across the Atlantic *n.* the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
147. agricultural me_____nt *n.* a person who buys and sells a large number of goods, especially one who imports and exports goods
148. diagnosed in_____ly as a tumor *adv.* at the beginning; at first
149. the m__h of an old religion *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

ANSWERS: 139. troop, 140. attract, 141. recognize, 142. obvious, 143. propel, 144. fragment, 145. alignment, 146. partnership, 147. merchant, 148. initially, 149. myth

150. draw out your ap___l *n.* a serious, earnest, or urgent request for money, information, or help; a quality that makes somebody or something attractive or interest
151. tr____h of the spirit *n.* a great victory or achievement
152. co____d and control *n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
153. ca____ic in his tastes *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
154. Je___h culture *adj.* of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
155. the co____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
156. ext_____ary ability *adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
157. ma____ng technology *n.* the process of creating maps or charts, including the interpretation of symbols, features, and data and the use of various techniques and technologies to represent geographical or other information in visual form

ANSWERS: 150. appeal, 151. triumph, 152. command, 153. Catholic, 154. Jewish, 155. conflict, 156. extraordinary, 157. mapmaking

158. fa__h in government *n.* complete trust in something or someone's ability or knowledge; a strong belief in religion, divine power, etc.
159. em_____r of Rome *n.* the male ruler of an empire
160. the ho__e of shoppers *n.* a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled
161. des_____nt of a pioneer *n.* children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
162. before Ch___t *n.* the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
163. in_____ly anticipated *adv.* at the beginning; at first
164. a reckless at_____t *n.* an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
165. allied di_____at *n.* a person appointed by a government to conduct diplomacy (= the management of relationships between countries) with one or more other countries or international organizations
166. the Ca_____ic Church *adj.* universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader
167. d__m socially responsible *v.* to consider or decide something in a particular way

ANSWERS: 158. faith, 159. emperor, 160. horde, 161. descendant, 162. Christ, 163. initially, 164. attempt, 165. diplomat, 166. Catholic, 167. deem

168. be in al_____nt *n.* an arrangement in which two or more elements are placed in a straight line or parallel to each other
169. af____d to buy a new car *v.* to have enough money or time to be able to buy or do something
170. de_____e in quality *v.* to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
171. classic fa__e *n.* a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
172. the art of di_____cy *n.* the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way
173. at_____t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
174. ci_____te a rumor *v.* to move continuously or freely around a place or closed system
175. em_____l him in a controversy *v.* to involve or entangle someone or something in a difficult, complicated, or unpleasant situation; to implicate or incriminate
176. ind_____ly related *adv.* not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something
177. f__e in importance *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness

ANSWERS: 168. alignment, 169. afford, 170. decline, 171. fable, 172. diplomacy, 173. attract, 174. circulate, 175. embroil, 176. indirectly, 177. fade

178. mys_____us stranger *adj.* difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
179. pu___e a goal *v.* to do something or attempt to attain something over time; to follow or seek someone or something, especially in trying to catch them
180. aboriginal tr__e *n.* a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
181. f__e away almost completely *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
182. eve_____ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
183. my_____al heroes *adj.* based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination
184. establish his ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
185. a subordinate ki_____m *n.* the country ruled by a king or queen
186. int_____tal ballistic missile *adj.* relating to or occurring between continents, usually referring to travel, communication, or transport
187. in___e his privacy *v.* to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation
188. ru__r mill *n.* a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth

ANSWERS: 178. mysterious, 179. pursue, 180. tribe, 181. fade, 182. eventually, 183. mythical, 184. kingdom, 185. kingdom, 186. intercontinental, 187. invade, 188. rumor

189. ci_____te an agenda before the meeting
v. to move continuously or freely around a place or closed system
190. ho_____nd pride
n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
191. beloved ho_____nd
n. a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
192. sc___r the Internet
v. to clean thoroughly and vigorously by scrubbing or rubbing; to search or examine something thoroughly and systematically
193. ea___r anticipation
adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something
194. lo___e a tumor
v. to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
195. tr_____h of democracy
n. a great victory or achievement
196. my_____al world
adj. based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination
197. small ch___h
n. a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
198. an int_____nt person
adj. the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
199. believe Bi___e prophecy
n. the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field

ANSWERS: 189. circulate, 190. homeland, 191. homeland, 192. scour, 193. eager, 194. locate, 195. triumph, 196. mythical, 197. church, 198. intolerant, 199. bible

200. passport fo____y *n.* the act of creating a fake or false document, object, or currency to deceive or defraud others; the item that has been created in such a way
201. re____on sociology *n.* a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny
202. int_____tal phone call *adj.* relating to or occurring between continents, usually referring to travel, communication, or transport
203. beyond the re__m of possibility *n.* a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge
204. an____ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
205. every al_____te year *adj.* occurring or existing one after the other regularly
206. so____gn wealth fund *n.* a king or queen
207. heroic e__c *n.* a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive
208. car_____her's tool *v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
209. sp__k a chain reaction *v.* to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
210. vi____y in the law court *n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

ANSWERS: 200. forgery, 201. religion, 202. intercontinental, 203. realm, 204. announce, 205. alternate, 206. sovereign, 207. epic, 208. cartographer, 209. spark, 210. victory

211. ig___e her advice *v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
212. noted sc____r *n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
213. pi____m site *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
214. expert car____her *v.* a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
215. an____ce the award winners *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
216. an em____ry from the company *n.* a person sent on a mission or as a representative of an organization or country
217. negative ste____pes *n.* a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense
218. re____d figure *v.* highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities
219. aw__t a decision *v.* to wait or stay ready for something; to expect or anticipate something
220. shrine for pi____ms *n.* a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion

ANSWERS: 211. ignore, 212. scholar, 213. pilgrim, 214. cartographer, 215. announce, 216. emissary, 217. stereotype, 218. revered, 219. await, 220. pilgrim

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Our company found it _____ difficult to keep up with the competition.
adv. more and more
2. Many people are working together to close the gender _____.
n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
3. Frugality and industry are still _____ as virtues.
v. to think about or consider somebody or something in a specified way
4. There are various hypotheses concerning the _____ of life.
n. the first existence or beginning of something
5. The data _____ that the company's profits have steadily increased over the past quarter.
v. to show, point out, or make known something, often through a sign or a symbol; to suggest or imply something without stating it directly
6. The group of _____ walked in silence, deep in thought and prayer.
n. a person who journeys, especially a long distance, to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion
7. Driving is difficult for me because of my poor _____.
n. the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
8. She wore a _____ dress to the party.
n. a fine, strong, soft, lustrous fiber produced by silkworms in making cocoons and collected to make thread and fabric

ANSWERS: 1. increasingly, 2. gap, 3. regarded, 4. origin, 5. indicates, 6. pilgrims, 7. vision, 8. silk

9. The military _____ between the two countries created tension in the international community.
n. the state of a cooperative relationship between people or groups, especially in business
10. My memory will _____ but my heart will live on.
v. to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
11. The fan _____ the air in the room quickly.
v. to move continuously or freely around a place or closed system
12. The _____ disappearance of the ship remains unsolved.
adj. difficult to understand, explain, or identify; having an aura of secrecy, intrigue, or puzzlement
13. He _____ stole money from the company.
adv. according to what has been stated or reported; supposedly
14. The scandal _____ the company's CEO and other high-level executives.
v. to involve or entangle someone or something in a difficult, complicated, or unpleasant situation; to implicate or incriminate
15. I made the _____ suggestion that it might be better to withdraw from the business.
adj. departing from or opposite to accepted beliefs, standards, or principles of a particular religion
16. The dictator's _____ was characterized by widespread human rights abuses and suppression of political opposition.
n. the period of time during which a monarch or government holds power; (verb) to be the king or queen

ANSWERS: 9. partnership, 10. fade, 11. circulates, 12. mysterious, 13. allegedly, 14. embroiled, 15. heretical, 16. reign

17. There was a baseless _____ that the company was going bankrupt.
n. a piece of unverified information of uncertain origin that is spread by word of mouth
18. Many of the _____ of the famous general came about hundreds of years after his death.
n. an old story that may or may not be accurate regarding some persons and events; a well-known person who is admired by others for a long time, particularly in a particular field
19. The _____ of soldiers marched through the city in a parade.
n. a group of soldiers, especially a large one; a group of people, animals, or things considered as a unit.
20. The media has been _____ the politician for his controversial statements.
v. to speak or write about someone or something in a way that is likely to make people have a very low opinion of them
21. My friend is a _____ woman who celebrates Hanukkah every year.
adj. of or relating to people whose traditional religion is Judaism
22. The history books are full of tales of legendary _____ who went on epic adventures.
n. a person who is committed to a cause or campaign that they see as being beneficial or righteous; historically, a person who took part in the medieval military campaigns to retake the Holy Land from the Muslims
23. Their _____ strictly prohibits them from drinking or gambling.
n. a deep conviction in a supernatural power that controls human destiny

ANSWERS: 17. rumor, 18. legends, 19. troop, 20. vilifying, 21. Jewish, 22. crusaders, 23. religion

24. A great _____ is a fountain forever overflowing with the waters of wisdom and delight.
- n.* a piece of writing that emphasizes the expression of feelings and ideas by paying particular attention to diction (sometimes rhyme), rhythm, and imagery
25. I miss my _____ and the familiar sights, sounds, and smells.
- n.* a place regarded as one's native country or where one belongs
26. He narrated the _____ story of his adventure.
- adj.* exceptional, unexpected, very unusual; surpassing the ordinary or usual
27. The minority _____ believed in a set of unconventional religious practices.
- n.* a group of people who follow a particular religious or philosophical belief system, especially one that is regarded as outside the norm or mainstream
28. The unique style of this martial arts _____ many action film producers.
- v.* to make somebody fill with the desire, confidence, or enthusiasm, especially to do something creative
29. The art museum was forced to close down temporarily due to concerns over _____ in their collection.
- n.* the act of creating a fake or false document, object, or currency to deceive or defraud others; the item that has been created in such a way
30. The robot can accurately _____ construction material.
- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
31. We are optimistic about our final _____.
- n.* success in a game, competition, election, or battle, or the knowledge that you have won

ANSWERS: 24. poem, 25. homeland, 26. extraordinary, 27. sect, 28. inspired, 29. forgery, 30. locate, 31. victory

32. Despite his best efforts, he was unable to _____ the enemy.
v. to win against somebody in a fight, war, or attempt
33. Her remarks _____ the debate.
v. to mistake one thing for another; to make somebody hard to understand
34. There are _____ differences between the two wine-producing regions.
adj. easy to see, discover or understand
35. The _____ had distinctly defined gender roles.
n. a social group made up of members who live together, sharing the same language, culture, religion, etc., especially those who do not live in towns or cities
36. Shakespeare's output of poetry was _____.
adj. extremely large or great
37. She was struggling to make a _____ between two job offers.
n. the act or process of making up someone's mind about something; a choice or judgment reached after considering options
38. The _____ of zombies was approaching quickly.
n. a large group of people or animals, especially one that is chaotic or uncontrolled
39. Those warriors' _____ are still skilled archers.
n. children or offspring of a specific person, plant, or animal
40. I have no intention to _____ your privacy.
v. to enter aggressively into another's territory by military force for conquest and occupation

ANSWERS: 32. defeat, 33. confused, 34. obvious, 35. tribe, 36. enormous, 37. decision, 38. horde, 39. descendants, 40. invade

41. You won't have to pay college tuition if you're a _____.
- n.* professor; a person who studies a topic in considerable depth, particularly in a university
42. The _____ once lived in the vast palace.
- n.* the male ruler of an empire
43. The airline offers _____ flights to destinations around the world.
- adj.* relating to or occurring between continents, usually referring to travel, communication, or transport
44. 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
45. His _____ attitude towards other cultures made it difficult for him to get along with others.
- adj.* the inability or refusal to accept or respect views, beliefs, or behavior that differ from someone's own; unable to eat food without adverse effects
46. The general gave a _____ to his troops to prepare for battle.
- n.* authority, control, or mastery over something, often referring to military or leadership contexts; a directive, order, or instruction; expertise or confidence in a specific area; (verb) to give an authoritative order or instruction, or to be in charge or control of something
47. He has the superpower to _____ a business opportunity.
- v.* to catch or take hold of someone or something suddenly and forcibly; to capture the attention or imagination of something

ANSWERS: 41. scholar, 42. Emperor, 43. intercontinental, 44. attract, 45. intolerant, 46. command, 47. seize

48. The children were _____ to start the treasure hunt.

adj. showing enthusiasm and a strong desire or interest to do something

49. An increase in employment helps _____ economic growth.

v. to move, drive or push something forward or in a particular direction, often with a lot of force

50. By incorrect assumption, statistics can be notoriously _____.

adj. not able to be trusted or depended on

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

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

52. The team's _____ in the championship resulted from their hard work and dedication.

n. a great victory or achievement

53. Her passions are in the _____ of real-world political affairs.

n. a domain of activity, interest, or knowledge

54. The _____ teacher was loved by her students.

v. highly respected or admired, often because of moral or spiritual qualities

55. By remaining neutral, this _____ continued to exist.

n. the country ruled by a king or queen

56. The troops _____ shoulder-to-shoulder.

v. to walk militarily with stiff, regular steps

ANSWERS: 48. eager, 49. propel, 50. unreliable, 51. tower, 52. triumph, 53. realm, 54. revered, 55. kingdom, 56. marched

57. In the _____ meeting, the team discussed ways to improve productivity.

adj. happening or occurring later or after something else

58. She intends to _____ a political career.

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

59. We _____ the results of the election with bated breath.

v. to wait or stay ready for something; to expect or anticipate something

60. He cannot _____ a holiday.

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

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

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

62. Changing _____ about LGBTQ requires considerable effort.

n. a fixed and unvarying idea or image that people have about what someone or something is like, but which is often not true in reality and may cause hurt and offense

63. The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny _____ of pottery found at the dig site.

n. a small piece or part broken off or detached

64. With the financial bubble bursting, the _____ of economic growth in investment banking collapsed.

n. an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people

ANSWERS: 57. subsequent, 58. pursue, 59. await, 60. afford, 61. appeal, 62. stereotypes, 63. fragments, 64. myth

65. _____ is the day to celebrate the birth of Christ.
n. the man that Christians believe is the prophet and the son of God, and whose life and sermons form the basis for Christianity
66. She had to _____ the kitchen to find a clean dish to use for dinner.
v. to clean thoroughly and vigorously by scrubbing or rubbing; to search or examine something thoroughly and systematically
67. They gathered to hear the _____ teachings of the guru.
adj. of or related to a god, divine power, or a particular religion
68. His business _____ was evident in the success of his company.
n. the condition of being aware of and able to deal with a situation effectively; (adjective) having knowledge and understanding of a particular subject or activity
69. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
70. King George was the _____ of England.
n. a king or queen
71. I want to _____ my sadness into strength.
v. to have a talk with someone; (adjective) reversed in order, relation, or action
72. Effective _____ is necessary to resolve conflicts and maintain relationships between countries.
n. the art and practice of conducting negotiations between nations, organizations, or people; the fine art of dealing with people in a sensitive and effective way

ANSWERS: 65. Christmas, 66. scour, 67. holy, 68. savvy, 69. conflicts, 70. sovereign, 71. convert, 72. diplomacy

73. Regarding earthquakes, some commercial buildings were _____ unsafe.
v. to consider or decide something in a particular way
74. The staff is always helpful and _____.
adj. behaving in a kind, polite and generous way
75. The police couldn't find a _____ to her whereabouts.
n. an object, a piece of evidence, or some information that helps someone to find the answer to a problem, question, or mystery
76. As people age, their digestive capacity also gradually _____.
v. to become gradually smaller, fewer, worse, etc.; to refuse to accept
77. In his speech, he quoted a passage from a well-known _____.
n. a short story, often with animal characters, that teaches a general truth or a moral lesson
78. The third season of the anime show has been _____.
v. to make something known or officially inform people about something
79. I will introduce you to how to _____ the leading causes of the malfunction.
v. to recognize someone or something and say or prove who or what they are
80. Composition by artificial intelligence is no longer a _____.
n. a fiction with a large amount of imagination in it; a pleasant situation that you imagine but that is unlikely to happen
81. The government used _____ pictures to spread its message of national unity.
n. information, ideas, or claims spread to influence public opinion or promote a particular cause or ideology

ANSWERS: 73. deemed, 74. gracious, 75. clue, 76. declines, 77. fable, 78. announced, 79. identify, 80. fantasy, 81. propaganda

82. Since independence, the area has been completely _____.
- v.* to intentionally not listen or pay attention to
83. 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
84. Eventually, the new design will _____ all older models.
- v.* to take the place of something
85. He called for a careful _____ of the consequences.
- n.* the activity of searching and finding out about something through a place
86. This train departed later than _____ scheduled.
- adv.* at the beginning; at first
87. The sudden policy change has caused _____ among employees.
- n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
88. The _____ on the corner is hosting a free community meal tonight.
- n.* a building or institution dedicated to religious worship or activities; a Christian religious organization or denomination
89. Students have loved this textbook for many years as a biology _____.
- n.* the sacred writings of the Christian religions, consisting of the Old and New Testaments; a book regarded as authoritative in its field
90. The cleaning lady comes on _____ Wednesdays.
- adj.* occurring or existing one after the other regularly

ANSWERS: 82. ignored, 83. merchant, 84. replace, 85. exploration, 86. initially, 87. confusion, 88. church, 89. bible, 90. alternate

91. The military _____ between the two armies was one for the history books.
n. a long and eventful or heroic history, story, poem, or film; (adjective) very imposing or impressive
92. The corporation _____ dominated the entire tobacco business.
adv. finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
93. A _____ job requires a strong eye for detail and a deep understanding of geographic principles.
v. a person who creates or produces maps, typically by gathering or analyzing geographic data and using specialized software or tools
94. He stepped on the gas pedal, and the engine released a loud _____.
n. a measure of the rate at which an engine or motor rotates, often expressed in revolutions per minute (RPM); (verb) to increase the number of rotations per minute
95. The bankruptcy of the giant conglomerate _____ turmoil in the stock market.
v. to start something or make it grow, especially suddenly; to emit a tiny piece of fire or electricity
96. The CEO _____ expressed her disappointment with the project's progress.
adv. not going straight to the point; implying or suggesting something
97. Skydiving is an overwhelming _____ for many people.
n. a feeling of extreme and sudden excitement and pleasure; to cause someone to feel sudden intense sensation or emotion
98. Nevada is _____ a desert state.
adv. virtually entirely; to a large degree

ANSWERS: 91. epic, 92. eventually, 93. cartographer's, 94. rev, 95. sparked, 96. indirectly, 97. thrill, 98. largely

99. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
100. Aboriginal people killed the _____ who entered the sacred land for them.
n. a person who travels to places where no one or few people have been before to find out what is there
101. He has built a thriving e-commerce _____.
n. a group of countries ruled by one leader or government
102. It's important to _____ your strengths and weaknesses.
v. to acknowledge or realize something or someone; to identify, remember, or become aware of something that was previously known or encountered
103. The third _____ was far more successful.
n. an act or effort of trying to do something, especially something difficult
104. 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.
105. The _____ in the park provided a relaxing atmosphere.
n. a structure usually consisting of a basin and a jet of water that is sprayed into the air, often used for decoration or as a source of drinking water
106. The _____ from the neighboring country arrived with a message of peace.
n. a person sent on a mission or as a representative of an organization or country
107. In the last century, Britain formed a strong _____ with Egypt.
n. an arrangement in which two or more elements are placed in a straight line or parallel to each other

ANSWERS: 99. Communal, 100. explorer, 101. empire, 102. recognize, 103. attempt, 104. faith, 105. fountain, 106. emissary, 107. alignment

108. Many cultures have their _____ creatures and legends.

adj. based on or related to myths, legends, or folklore; existing only in tales or in the imagination

109. The author's work was forgotten and fell into _____ after his death.

n. the state of being completely forgotten or unknown; the state of being unconscious or unaware; the condition of being destroyed, wiped out, or erased from existence

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

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

111. Many famous explorers were also skilled in the art of _____.

n. the process of creating maps or charts, including the interpretation of symbols, features, and data and the use of various techniques and technologies to represent geographical or other information in visual form

112. Sociologists are now interested in _____ world peace.

adj. universal and including many different types of things; related to or associated with the part of the Christian Church that has the Pope as its leader

ANSWERS: 108. mythical, 109. oblivion, 110. diplomat, 111. mapmaking, 112. catholic