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### All Words

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## Session 1: Word List

### decide

v. to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options

*synonym*: choose, determine, settle

(1) **decide** a question, (2) **decide** on a course of action

She couldn't **decide** whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.

### 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.

### procrastinate

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

*synonym*: delay, dawdle, hesitate

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

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

### scream

v. to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

*synonym*: cry, shout, yell

(1) **scream** a profanity, (2) **scream** at him to be quiet  
She kept **screaming** for an ambulance.

## acclaim

*n.* praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly

*synonym* : praise, admiration, welcome

(1) **acclaim** the winner, (2) treated with royal **acclaim**

The actor's performance in the play earned her widespread **acclaim** from the theater community.

## tale

*n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure

*synonym* : canard, fiction, fable

(1) a fairy **tale**, (2) **tale** of horror

Ghosts in folk **tales** are almost always malicious.

## proclaim

*v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully

*synonym* : announce, declare, trumpet

(1) **proclaim** victory, (2) **proclaim** law

The leader **proclaimed** a state of emergency in the country.

## rack

*n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

*synonym* : shelf, stand, frame

(1) clothing **rack**, (2) spice **rack**

I need to buy a new coat **rack** to organize my winter jackets.

## halfway

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

*synonym* : middle, median, center

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

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

## captain

*n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

*synonym* : boss, director, leader

(1) the **captain** of an opposing team, (2) **captain** of industry  
The **captain** ordered the troops to fire.

## repay

*v.* to give back or make restitution for money, debt, or other obligation that is owed; to compensate or reward someone for something done or given

*synonym* : compensate, refund, reimburse

(1) **repay** a kindness, (2) **repay** a debt

I must **repay** my loan on time to avoid late fees and penalties.

## correspondence

*n.* the letters, emails, etc., especially official or business ones; the quality or state of being the same in amount, number, status

*synonym* : letters, closeness, likeness

(1) a business **correspondence**, (2) one-to-one **correspondence**

The results of the two experiments were in **correspondence**.

## embargo

*n.* a ban or restriction on trade, commerce, or travel imposed by one country or group of countries against another as a means of political or economic pressure or punishment

*synonym* : ban, prohibition, restriction

(1) oil **embargo**, (2) economic **embargo**

The **embargo** on trade with the neighboring countries severely impacted the local economy.

## novel

*n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before

*synonym* : fiction, story, (adjective) innovative

(1) historical **novel**, (2) **novel** effect

The **novel** has largely gotten positive feedback.

## testament

*n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

*synonym* : proof, testimony, testimonial

(1) give properties by **testament**, (2) **testament** to the superior quality

His wealth is a **testament** to his success.

## manuscript

*n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed

*synonym* : script

(1) **manuscript** of a book, (2) ancient **manuscript**

The widow of a deceased writer discovered an incomplete novel **manuscript** in his room.

## deadline

*n.* a date or period by which something must be done

*synonym* : time limit, period

(1) transfer **deadline** day, (2) the **deadline** for applications

No matter what, we must have this done before the **deadline**.

## dishonor

*n.* the lack of honor or respect; a feeling of shame or disgrace

*synonym* : disgrace, shame, dishonorableness

(1) do him a **dishonor**, (2) **dishonor** of my family

His actions brought **dishonor** to the family, and he was disowned.

## podcast

*n.* a radio program made available in digital format that you can download from the Internet and play on a computer or music player

(1) football **podcast**, (2) listen to a **podcast**

Our **podcast** was the most downloaded in the technology news genre this year.

## psychology

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

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

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

## inviting

*adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

*synonym* : attractive, tempting, alluring

(1) **inviting** scent, (2) **inviting** atmosphere

The **inviting** aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.

## flaw

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

*synonym* : defect, fault, imperfection

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

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

## overcome

*v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone

*synonym* : beat, confound, overwhelm

(1) **overcome** opponents, (2) **overcome** all difficulties

He tried to **overcome** a bad reputation and win the election.

## sponsor

*v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising

*synonym* : back, fund, finance

(1) **sponsor** a contest, (2) **sponsor** a local group

Our company **sponsors** numerous disabled athletes.

## 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.

**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.

**intentionally**

*adv.* in a planned or intended way  
*synonym* : knowingly, calculatedly, deliberately

(1) she hit him **intentionally**, (2) She **intentionally** spread misleading information.  
She would never **intentionally** hurt anyone.

**delay**

v. to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected  
*synonym* : block, adjourn, detain

(1) **delay** a flight three hours, (2) **delay** the new project  
We **delayed** the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

**fridge**

n. a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh  
*synonym* : refrigerator

(1) **fridge** magnet, (2) fill the **fridge**  
She left the **fridge** door open inadvertently.

**magical**

*adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers  
*synonym* : enchanting, occult, supernatural

(1) **magical** place, (2) **magical** powers  
When I was a child, my mother often cast **magical** spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

**confirm**

v. to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case  
*synonym* : affirm, verify, assure

(1) **confirm** the diagnosis, (2) **confirm** a transaction  
Please write to **confirm** your reservation.

## suspicion

*n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong

*synonym*: doubt, misgiving, skepticism

(1) **suspicion** of fraud, (2) cast **suspicion**

There was an almost certain **suspicion** that the company was involved in illegal activities.

## acquaint

*v.* to cause someone to become aware of or familiar with someone or something

*synonym*: familiarize, inform, enlighten

(1) **acquaint** himself with a subject, (2) **acquaint** me with business

I recently **acquainted** myself with a new coworker by introducing myself and chatting with her for a few minutes.

## chronic

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

*synonym*: established, regular, constant

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

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

## disappear

*v.* to cease to exist or be visible

*synonym*: fade, evaporate, vanish

(1) **disappear** without a trace, (2) **disappear** after a week

They watched the train **disappear** into the distance.

## graduate

*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

*synonym*: alumna, alum, grad

(1) **graduate** degree program, (2) honor **graduate**

Many employers hire **graduate** trainees to train as managers.

## opposition

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

*synonym* : resistance, hostility, antagonism

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

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

## precrastinator

*n.* (antonym for "procrastinator") a person who tends to complete tasks as soon as possible, often excessively or prematurely; someone who inclines to finish or accomplish tasks far ahead of the deadline or required time

(1) **precrastinator** tendencies, (2) **precrastinator** mindset

As a self-confessed **precrastinator**, she always finished her assignments the moment they were assigned, preferring to get them out of the way.

## 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**.

## schedule

*n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

*synonym* : agenda, program, itinerary

(1) a heavy **schedule**, (2) arrange my **schedule**

So far, the meeting is going according to **schedule**.

## colleague

*n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

*synonym* : coworker, associate, fellow

(1) collaborate with **colleagues**, (2) former **colleague**

I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my **colleague**.

## annoying

*adj.* making someone feel slightly angry

*synonym* : aggravating, bothersome, irksome

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



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

## constantly

*adv.* all the time

*synonym* : continuously, always, frequently

(1) a **constantly** innovative enterprise, (2) a **constantly** varying mind

The mobile application industry is **constantly** changing.

## excuse

*n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt

*synonym* : apology, justification, reason

(1) **excuse** for inaction, (2) perfect **excuse**

He quickly fabricated an **excuse** for not attending the meeting.

## fascinate

*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

*synonym* : captivate, intrigue, mesmerize

(1) **fascinate** the public, (2) **fascinate** the young

The magic tricks **fascinated** the children.

## 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.

## hitchhike

*v.* to obtain a ride in a passing vehicle by signaling to the driver or waving one's thumb; to travel by getting a free ride in someone else's vehicle

*synonym* : thumb a ride, bum a ride

(1) **hitchhike** a ride, (2) **hitchhike** across the country

She had to **hitchhike** to the nearest gas station when her car broke down.

## galaxy

*n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity

*synonym* : star cluster, nebula, star system

(1) elliptic **galaxy**, (2) a **galaxy** of famous actors

The Milky Way **galaxy** has numerous water-bearing planets.

## typical

*adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things

*synonym* : characteristic, usual, distinctive

(1) **typical** leader, (2) fairly **typical** symptoms

This artwork is **typical** of her work.

## bathtub

*n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe

*synonym* : tub, bath, basin

(1) **bathtub** curve, (2) **bathtub** drain

I filled the **bathtub** with hot water and a bubble bath for a relaxing soak.

## edit

*v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

*synonym* : revise, modify, adjust

(1) **edit** a history book, (2) **edit** a video

I need to **edit** this document before submitting it to my boss.

## suite

*n.* a set of rooms designated for a particular purpose or activity, especially a set of rooms in a hotel or private residence used as a living unit; a musical composition of several movements only loosely connected; the group following and attending to some important person

*synonym* : set, series, collection

(1) **suite** room, (2) **suite** of products

The presidential **suite** is the most luxurious room in the hotel.

## presumably

*adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

*synonym* : likely, seemingly, supposedly

(1) **presumably** accurate, (2) **presumably** refuse the offer

The witness's testimony was **presumably** based on what he had seen and heard.

**writ** *n.* a written legal order or command  
*synonym* : legal document, order, legal process  
(1) a **writ** of summons, (2) issue a **writ**  
He was served with a **writ** of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

**legendary** *adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition  
*synonym* : mythical, fabled, storied  
(1) **legendary** actor, (2) achieve a **legendary** status  
The **legendary** stories of King Arthur have been passed down for centuries.

**slacker** *n.* a person who is lazy or avoids work and responsibilities; someone who lacks motivation or ambition  
*synonym* : idler, procrastinator, loafer  
(1) office **slacker**, (2) unproductive **slacker**  
The boss was frustrated with the **slacker** employees who needed to catch up on their work.

**discipline** *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence  
*synonym* : training, restraint, field  
(1) break **discipline**, (2) rigid **discipline**  
He quickly learned the military **discipline**.

**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.

## sneak

*v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily

*synonym* : creep, tiptoe, smuggle

(1) **sneak** a cigarette, (2) **sneak** out of danger

The children tried to **sneak** out and eat the candy.

## specifically

*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing

*synonym* : especially, particularly, notably

(1) designed **specifically** for men, (2) for **specifically** American customers

This ad campaign is aimed **specifically** at young women.

## negative

*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

*synonym* : minus, adverse, pessimistic

(1) have a **negative** effect, (2) a **negative** number

The movie has received almost universally **negative** criticism.

## emotion

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

*synonym* : feeling, sentiment, passion

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

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

## core

*n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something

*synonym* : center, basis, heart

(1) the **core** of an apple, (2) **core** business activity

These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic **cores**.

## mood

*n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

*synonym* : mindset, disposition, temper

(1) the **mood** in a room, (2) in an ugly **mood**

His gaffe spoiled the **mood** of the dinner party.

## regulation

*n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule

*synonym*: constraint, restriction, rule

(1) a company **regulation**, (2) **regulation** by the government

The **regulation** approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.

## elicit

*v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

*synonym*: bring out, obtain, evoke

(1) **elicit** a confession, (2) **elicit** a solution

Have you **elicited** a response from them yet?

## confidence

*n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something

*synonym*: self-trust, certainty, belief

(1) **confidence** as a teacher, (2) boost my **confidence**

Skill and **confidence** are an unconquered army.

## incompetent

*adj.* lacking the necessary skills, knowledge, or ability to perform a task or job; not legally qualified or authorized to perform a particular task or job

*synonym*: ineffective, unskilled, inadequate

(1) **incompetent** leadership, (2) **incompetent** employee

The **incompetent** doctor misdiagnosed my illness and prescribed the wrong medication.

## insecure

*adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety

*synonym*: uncertain, unsure, unconfident

(1) an **insecure** future, (2) **insecure** attachment

Children in an unstructured environment often feel **insecure**.

## anxiety

*n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

*synonym* : concern, dread, agita

(1) diagnosis of **anxiety** disorder, (2) **anxiety** for knowledge  
She waited for her daughter with **anxiety**.

## 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.

## classic

*adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type

*synonym* : definitive, traditional, typical

(1) a **classic** experiment, (2) Chinese **classic** literature  
He displayed the **classic** symptoms of depression.

## picky

*adj.* overly particular or selective, especially about food or other consumable goods; difficult to please or satisfy because of one's specific tastes or preferences

*synonym* : fussy, choosy, particular

(1) **picky** personality, (2) **picky** about details  
My **picky** eater only likes to eat certain types of vegetables.

## hypothesis

*n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate

*synonym* : assumption, conjecture, theory

(1) test my **hypothesis**, (2) a bold **hypothesis**  
This evidence supports the big-bang **hypothesis**.

## proof

*n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

*synonym* : testimony, evidence, assurance

(1) documentary **proof**, (2) a geometric **proof**  
**Proof** is better than argument.

## neat

*adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place

*synonym*: tidy, uncluttered, refined

(1) a **neat** piece of work, (2) **neat** idea

She has **neat** habits.

## loom

*v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way

*synonym*: appear, come on, overshadow

(1) **loom** over the global economy, (2) **loom** on the horizon

The issue of divorce **loomed** large in his mind.

## suppose

*v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible

*synonym*: guess, assume, presume

(1) **suppose** you're right, (2) **suppose** beforehand

What do you **suppose** the culprit's motive was?

## stir

*v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused

*synonym*: mix, swirl, provoke

(1) **stir** a sauce, (2) **stir** up controversy

Topics related to that war may **stir** up a political hornets' nest.

## consequence

*n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual

*synonym*: result, impact, outcome

(1) unintended **consequences**, (2) the **consequence** of an argument

These economic activities had disastrous environmental **consequences**.

## peer

*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability

*synonym*: fellow, associate, counterpart

(1) **peer** group, (2) **peer** review

Among young people, **peer** pressure can be pretty influential.

## suffer

*v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

*synonym*: endure, undergo, tolerate

(1) **suffer** a setback, (2) **suffer** bad grades

The older man **suffers** from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

## junk

*n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition

*synonym*: trash, debris, waste

(1) **junk** mail, (2) hunk of **junk**

I need to clear out some of the **junk** in my garage.

## 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.

## depression

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

*synonym*: recession, slump, despair

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

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

## meta

*adj.* pertaining to or involving a higher or more abstract level of analysis, interpretation, or self-reference, often used to describe aspects of gaming, social media, or other online communities that involve self-conscious or



self-referential elements

*synonym* : self-referential, introspective, recursive

(1) **meta-analysis**, (2) **meta-language**

The **meta** description of a website is an important element for search engine optimization.

**definitely**

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

*synonym* : absolutely, certainly, indeed

(1) **definitely** become a problem, (2) say **definitely**

The paper is **definitely** worth reading thoroughly.

**guilty**

*adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal

*synonym* : culpable, blameworthy, at fault

(1) feel a bit **guilty**, (2) **guilty** verdict

After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead **guilty** to the theft charge.

**guilt**

*n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

*synonym* : regret, remorse, blame

(1) criminal **guilt**, (2) feeling of **guilt**

Shame and **guilt** have significant social influences.

**motivate**

*v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

*synonym* : boost, encourage, inspire

(1) **motivate** the students, (2) all ability to **motivate**

The ability to **motivate** people is a priceless asset.

**unfair**

*adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

*synonym* : wrongful, biased, dishonest

(1) **unfair** employment practices, (2) have an **unfair** advantage

In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making **unfair** decisions.

## postpone

*v.* to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date

*synonym*: delay, defer, reschedule

(1) **postpone** meeting, (2) **postpone** event

Due to inclement weather, the game has been **postponed** until next week.

## 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**.

## phrase

*n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together

*synonym*: expression, idiom, term

(1) ready-made **phrases**, (2) noun **phrase**

We bought a Spanish **phrase** book.

## evoke

*v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind

*synonym*: arouse, raise, inspire

(1) **evoke** a sense of awe, (2) **evoke** sympathy

This movie is likely to **evoke** strong emotions in the viewer.

## absolutely

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

*synonym*: completely, utterly, definitely

(1) **absolutely** against, (2) **absolutely** obsessed with the girl

I am **absolutely** opposed to his idea because of morality.

## willpower

*n.* the control exerted to do something or restrain impulses

*synonym*: determination, resolve, self-discipline

(1) demonstrate **willpower**, (2) lack of **willpower**

With strong **willpower** and determination, he could quit smoking for good.

## autonomy

*n.* the right of an organization, country, or region to govern itself independently

*synonym*: independence, sovereignty, self-sufficiency

(1) regional **autonomy**, (2) establish **autonomy**

Demonstrators strongly demanded immediate **autonomy** for their country.

## 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.

## ambiguous

*adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

*synonym*: unclear, uncertain, equivocal

(1) **ambiguous** situation, (2) clarify **ambiguous** points

The instructions provided were **ambiguous** and confused the team.

## 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.

## uncertain

*adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose

*synonym*: doubtful, skeptical, pending

(1) numerous **uncertain** factors, (2) take an **uncertain** attitude

She was **uncertain** about her friend's intentions.

## doubt

*n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

*synonym*: distrust, suspect, mistrust

(1) dispel **doubts**, (2) no **doubt** about the news

**Doubt** is the start, not the end, of intelligence.

## 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.

## boredom

*n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation

*synonym*: ennui, tedium, monotony

(1) **boredom** relief, (2) chronic **boredom**

The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off **boredom**.

## flavor

*n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

*synonym*: taste, savor, essence

(1) a delicate **flavor**, (2) **flavor** enhancer

The **flavor** of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.

## curb

*v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

*synonym*: restrain, limit, control

(1) **curb** appetite, (2) **curb** anxiety

He tried to **curb** his anger during the argument with his friend.

## compassion

*n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck

*synonym* : pity, empathy, understanding

(1) feel **compassion** for the poor, (2) have **compassion** toward the accident

His infinite love and **compassion** for everyone never weary.

## relieve

*v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

*synonym* : alleviate, ease, assuage

(1) **relieve** his thirst, (2) **relieve** stress

The medicine **relieved** his headache, and he felt much better.

## 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**.

## forgiveness

*n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

*synonym* : pardon, amnesty, compassion

(1) **forgiveness** of liabilities, (2) beg for **forgiveness**

He gained debt **forgiveness**.

## occasion

*n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done

*synonym* : event, time, occurrence

(1) a glad **occasion**, (2) as **occasion** demands  
She wore her best dress for the special **occasion**.

## planet

*n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

*synonym*: earth, world, globe

(1) **planet** like the Earth, (2) save the **planet**  
Mercury is the closest **planet** to the sun.

## acknowledge

*v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

*synonym*: accept, agree, declare

(1) **acknowledge** the deed, (2) **acknowledge** his help  
He never **acknowledged** his fault.

## 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.

## neurotic

*adj.* suffering from neurosis or excessive and irrational anxiety or distress, often about everyday situations and circumstances

*synonym*: anxious, obsessive, compulsive

(1) **neurotic** behavior, (2) **neurotic** disorder

The **neurotic** character is always anxious and worries about everything.

## cue

*n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder

or prompt for someone to do something

*synonym* : signal, sign, hint

(1) **cue** card, (2) visual **cue**

The director gave the actor a **cue** to begin the scene.

## judge

*n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

*synonym* : arbiter, justice, (verb) deduce

(1) **judge** a competition, (2) an associate **judge**

The strict **judge** ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

## 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**.

## 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.

## evaluate

*v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

*synonym* : assess, estimate, consider

(1) **evaluate** the grant proposal, (2) **evaluate** a situation

The meeting aims to **evaluate** possible choices.

## dumb

*adj.* lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence

*synonym* : mute, speechless, idiotic

(1) **dumb** creatures, (2) struck **dumb**

He made a **dumb** mistake and forgot to submit the report on time.

## norm

*n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

*synonym* : criterion, mean, standard

(1) **norm** of action, (2) cultural **norm**

The systems we have developed has accepted as industry **norms**.

## bat

*n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis

*synonym* : cane, rod, stick

(1) **bat** cave, (2) **bat** an eye

The cave was a habitat for **bats**.

## plot

*n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal

*synonym* : scheme, plan, design

(1) **plot** twist, (2) **plot** a revolution

The **plot** of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.

## far-fetched

*adj.* (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe

*synonym* : bizarre, doubtful, unbelievable

(1) **far-fetched** idea, (2) **far-fetched** expressions

Though his plan sounded **far-fetched** at first, he realized it anyway.

## anticipate

*v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

*synonym* : forecast, predict, expect



(1) **anticipate** your kind cooperation, (2) **anticipate** a black future

We **anticipate** heavy snowfall tomorrow.

## routine

*n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

*synonym*: habit, custom, procedure

(1) **routine** business, (2) a built-in diagnostic **routine**

She studies gardening on a **routine** basis.

## plunge

*v.* to dive quickly and steeply downward; to thrust or throw into something; (noun) a steep and rapid fall

*synonym*: dive, drop, thrust

(1) **plunge** into the water, (2) **plunge** a dagger through his heart

The company's profits **plunged** after the recall of their new product.

## frenzy

*n.* a state of wild, uncontrolled excitement or activity, often characterized by chaotic or irrational behavior

*synonym*: frenetic, commotion, tumult

(1) **frenzy** of activity, (2) buying **frenzy**

The shoppers were **frenzy** to get the best deals on Black Friday.

## scroll

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

*synonym*: manuscript, document, parchment

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

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

## 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**.

## recommend

*v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role

*synonym*: advise, suggest, instruct

(1) **recommend** a hospitalization, (2) **recommend** reading  
We **recommend** taking media training every six months.

## 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.

## ego

*n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

*synonym*: self-esteem, personality, psyche

(1) **ego** defense mechanisms, (2) national **ego**  
She was constantly trying to boost her **ego** by talking about her accomplishments.

## scot

*n.* a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant

*synonym*: tax, charge, toll

(1) pay annual **scot**, (2) traditional **Scot** attire  
The **scot-free** suspect was later apprehended for a different crime.

## diminutive

*adj.* very small or tiny in size; expressing smallness or endearment; (noun) a word or suffix that indicates smallness in size or affection

*synonym*: tiny, small, miniature

(1) **diminutive** size, (2) **diminutive** figure  
The **diminutive** kitten was easily overlooked in the litter.

## refer

*v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support

*synonym* : cite, allude, mention

(1) **refer** to a book, (2) **refer** to a map

Please **refer** to the instruction manual for further assistance.

## 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.

## separate

*v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

*synonym* : disunite, isolate, ramify

(1) **separate** video into chapter, (2) **separate** cream from milk

We need to **separate** the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.

## laundry

*n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed

*synonym* : wash, clothes, linen

(1) send out the **laundry**, (2) **laundry** room

I need to do the **laundry** before I run out of clean clothes.

## overlap

*v.* to partially cover something by going beyond its edge

*synonym* : overlay, cover, bespread

(1) **overlap** one another, (2) **overlap** in many areas

There was no **overlap** between their proposals.

## tug

*v.* to pull something quickly and hard, often several times

*synonym* : draw, jerk, pull

(1) **tug** a rope, (2) **tug** at his hand

This movie **tugs** at everyone's heartstrings.

## dual

*adj.* having two parts, aspects, or elements

*synonym* : twofold, binary, double

(1) **dual** purpose, (2) **dual** nationality

This laptop has a **dual-core** processor, making it fast and efficient.

## observe

*v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

*synonym* : watch, monitor, scrutinize

(1) **observe** a tradition, (2) **observe** wildlife

It is important to **observe** safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

## ordinary

*adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

*synonym* : mundane, prosaic, average

(1) an **ordinary** school, (2) **ordinary** annual revenue

The **ordinary** session of the Diet opened.

## bran

*n.* the outermost layer of cereal grain, such as wheat or rice, which is removed during milling and is often used as animal feed or as a source of dietary fiber for humans; a type of coarse, fibrous substance that remains as a residue or byproduct in various industrial processes, such as oil extraction or papermaking

*synonym* : husk, chaff, grain shell

(1) **bran** muffins, (2) **bran** cereal

Adding **bran** to your meals can help improve your digestion and increase fiber intake.

## flake

*n.* a small, thin piece or layer of something, often with a flat or irregular shape; a person who is unreliable or inconsistent

*synonym* : chip, bit, shred

(1) **flakes** of snow, (2) **flake** graphite

She found a paint **flake** on the wall and realized it was time to repaint the room.

## binge

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

*synonym* : spree, overindulgence, splurge

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

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

## outwit

*v.* to defeat or overcome someone cleverly or cunningly by outsmarting them; to be more clever or cunning than someone else

*synonym* : outsmart, outmaneuver, outfox

(1) **outwit** a problem, (2) **outwit** his competitors

He could **outwit** his opponents with his quick thinking and clever strategy.

## resist

*v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

*synonym* : fight, defy, revolt

(1) **resist** temptation, (2) **resist** being kissed

I chose to **resist** cancer by trying every possible treatment.

## temptation

*n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

*synonym* : allure, attraction, enticement

(1) withstand **temptation**, (2) many **temptations**

Researchers often succumb to the **temptation** of accolades and commit research misconduct.

## brilliant

*adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive

*synonym* : luminous, intelligent, clever

(1) **brilliant** idea, (2) **brilliant** performance

The more **brilliant** you are, the more people around you look

at you with envy and jealousy.

## alarm

*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger

*synonym* : notice, warning, panic

(1) give the **alarm**, (2) an **alarm** clock

The **alarm** announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.

## snooze

*v.* to take a brief nap or doze, often for a short period of time, especially during the day; to sleep lightly or fitfully; (noun) nodded politely

*synonym* : doze, nap, drowse

(1) take a **snooze**, (2) **snooze** peacefully in her crib

I need to **snooze** for a few more minutes before starting my day.

## equation

*n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

(1) the **equation** of poverty with ignorance, (2) a chemical **equation**

In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic **equations**.

## 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**.

## 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.

## 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.

## weird

*adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain  
*synonym*: bizarre, creepy, peculiar

(1) a **weird** dress, (2) the state of being **weird**

My computer has been acting **weird** recently.

## mushroom

*n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap

*synonym*: fungus, toadstool

(1) **mushroom** spores, (2) **mushroom** cultivation

The **mushroom** risotto was delicious, but I couldn't identify all the mushrooms in it.

## tweet

*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

*synonym*: peep, chirp, post (on Twitter)

(1) a chick's **tweet**, (2) his latest **tweets**

We could hear the **tweet** of baby birds.

## interrupt

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

*synonym*: disturb, hinder, break in

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

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

## distracted

*adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

*synonym*: preoccupied, inattentive, absent-minded

(1) get **distracted** by an urgent matter, (2) **distracted** by a conversation

I was so **distracted** by my phone that I nearly walked into a

lamppost.

## burrow

*v.* to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal

*synonym*: tunnel, dig, excavate

(1) **burrow** through the forest, (2) **burrow** into a mystery  
You can't **burrow** through solid metal.

## firewall

*n.* (in computing) a technological barrier designed to stop people from seeing or using the information on a computer without permission but still allow them to receive information that is sent to them

(1) **firewall** protection, (2) **firewall** application

Public cloud computing should provide a secure **firewall** against hackers.

## specific

*adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

*synonym*: particular, definite, distinct

(1) **specific** instructions, (2) industry- **specific** regulations

The scientist conducted a study that provided **specific** details about the species' behavior.

## experiment

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

*synonym*: experimentation, investigation

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

His **experiments** showed highly positive results.

## assign

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

*synonym*: entrust, delegate, designate

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

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

## session

*n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity



*synonym* : conference, gathering

(1) the morning **session**, (2) the court **session**

Parliament is now in **session**.

## creative

*adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

*synonym* : imaginative, innovative, inventive

(1) **creative** writing, (2) barren of **creative** spirit

All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more **creative**.

## 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.

## owl

*n.* a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call

*synonym* : raptor, bird of prey, nocturnal bird

(1) a night **owl**, (2) an **owl** hooted

The snowy **owl** is a large, white bird often seen in the Arctic.

## synchronize

*v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

*synonym* : coordinate, accompany, harmonize

(1) **synchronize** movements, (2) **synchronize** our watches

The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly **synchronized**.

## circadian

*adj.* relating to a physiological cycle that lasts approximately 24 hours, impacting physical and behavioral changes that occur over the course of a day, such as sleep-wake cycles or fluctuations in hormones

*synonym* : daily, diurnal, day-to-day

(1) **circadian** clock, (2) **circadian** disruption

Having a consistent sleep schedule is important for maintaining a healthy **circadian** rhythm.

## rhythm

*n.* a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing

*synonym* : beat, cadence, tempo

(1) in samba **rhythm**, (2) irregular heart **rhythm**

He beat out a jazz **rhythm** on the cajones.

## flexibility

*n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

*synonym* : elasticity, adaptability, resilience

(1) mental **flexibility**, (2) the **flexibility** of the body

We dealt with those problems with speed and **flexibility**.

## tempting

*adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

*synonym* : alluring, attractive, inviting

(1) **tempting** offer, (2) sound very **tempting**

The chocolate cake was too **tempting** for me to resist.

## tactics

*n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

*synonym* : strategy, maneuvers, plan

(1) blitz **tactics**, (2) political **tactics**

The marketing team developed new **tactics** to boost sales.

## outsmart

*v.* to defeat or best someone through cleverness, cunning, or intelligence, to prevail over someone by being smarter or more strategic

*synonym* : outwit, beat, surpass

(1) **outsmart** the competition, (2) **outsmart** a conspiracy

He could **outsmart** his opponents with his quick thinking and strategic planning.

## twist

v. to bend or turn something into a certain shape  
*synonym* : wrench, turn, twirl

(1) **twist** around to the left, (2) **twist** a wet towel  
He **twisted** pieces of rope out of straw.

## furnace

n. an enclosed chamber for heating metal or glass to very high temperatures

*synonym* : incinerator

(1) electrical **furnace**, (2) gas-fired **furnace**

In the **furnace**, the metal gleamed with radiance.

## contract

n. a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

*synonym* : agreement, deal, arrangement

(1) employment **contract**, (2) **contract** law

The company signed a **contract** with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

## proofread

v. to examine written material and mark any errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation, or formatting; to read carefully and correct errors

*synonym* : proof, check, edit

(1) **proofread** document, (2) **proofread** manuscript

The teacher asked the student to **proofread** the essay as part of the revision process

## scrabble

v. to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game

*synonym* : scramble, jumble, mix

(1) **scrabble** through her purse, (2) **scrabble** words

The kids eagerly **scrabbled** to find the hidden Easter eggs in the garden.

## commitment

*n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

*synonym* : burden, obligation, promise

(1) a **commitment** to an alliance, (2) meet his

### **commitments**

His business **commitments** took him to the United States.

## reassure

*v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

*synonym* : comfort, soothe, bolster

(1) **reassure** anxious patients, (2) **reassure** market

The pilot tried to **reassure** the customers that the planes were safe.

## disappoint

*v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

*synonym* : sadden, dismay, frustrate

(1) **disappoint** the audience, (2) don't **disappoint** me

She worked very hard not to **disappoint** her boss's expectations.

## 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.

## reconcile

*v.* to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist

*synonym* : harmonize, moderate, conciliate

(1) **reconcile** these differences, (2) **reconcile** a dispute

Sometimes it is challenging to **reconcile** science and religion.

## enormous

*adj.* extremely large or great

*synonym* : huge, giant, gigantic

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

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

## mathematics

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

*synonym* : arithmetic, calculation, calculus

(1) a good grounding in **mathematics**, (2) **mathematics** competition

He has a flair for **mathematics**.

## divide

*v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

*synonym* : separate, disconnect, split

(1) **divide** the cake into two pieces, (2) **divide** money equally

Can you **divide** 123321 by eleven?

## accumulate

*v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time

*synonym* : amass, stash, earn

(1) **accumulate** cash value, (2) **accumulate** evidence

He has **accumulated** his wealth through real estate investments.

## uncommon

*adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare

*synonym* : rare, scarce, unusual

(1) **uncommon** occurrence, (2) **uncommon** talents

It was **uncommon** for the store to have such a big sale.

## coworker

*n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization

*synonym* : colleague, peer, associate

(1) **coworker** relationship, (2) argue with a **coworker**

My ex- **coworker** and I had different working styles but managed to get along.

## sentimental

*adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

*synonym* : bathetic, drippy, maudlin

(1) in a **sentimental** mood, (2) **sentimental** damage

Stop being **sentimental** and always speak the truth.

## wildfire

*n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope

*synonym* : blaze, bonfire, flame

(1) **wildfire** spread, (2) arson-caused **wildfire**

The **wildfire** destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

## sweep

*v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

*synonym* : clean, clear, brush off

(1) **sweep** up dead leaves, (2) **sweep** a room with a glance

The politician tried to **sweep** the embarrassing incident under the rug.

## devastating

*adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage

*synonym* : destructive, annihilative, disastrous

(1) have **devastating** effects, (2) treat this **devastating** disease

This typhoon was the most **devastating** in years.

## grief

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

*synonym* : anguish, desperation, dismay

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

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

## maximum

*adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained

*synonym* : peak, top, highest

(1) **maximum** limit, (2) the **maximum** speed

The **maximum** temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.

## 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.

## toothbrush

*n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth  
*synonym*: brush, scrubber, cleaner  
(1) **toothbrush** stand, (2) power **toothbrush**  
My **toothbrush** with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.

## toothpaste

*n.* a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath  
*synonym*: paste, gel, dentifrice  
(1) **toothpaste** hygiene product, (2) **toothpaste** tube  
I always use mint-flavored **toothpaste** to refresh my mouth in the morning and at night.

## deodorant

*n.* a product applied to the body, typically under the arms, that helps to eliminate or mask unpleasant body odor  
*synonym*: antiperspirant, scent, fragrant  
(1) **deodorant** stick, (2) spray **deodorant**  
Make sure to apply **deodorant** before going to the gym.

## midnight

*n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day  
*synonym*: middle of the night, witching hour  
(1) **midnight** snack, (2) **midnight** shift  
I stayed up until **midnight** watching my favorite movie.

## makeshift

*adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised  
*synonym*: improvised, temporary, ad-hoc  
(1) **makeshift** shelter, (2) a **makeshift** solution  
The team set up a **makeshift** tent for shelter during the storm.

**relief**

*n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced

*synonym* : remedy, consolation, alleviation

(1) tax **relief**, (2) sigh of **relief**

He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian **relief** fund.

**confer**

*v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

*synonym* : consult, meet, discuss

(1) **confer** degree, (2) **confer** honor

The leaders of the two countries met to **confer** on the issue.

**crazy**

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

*synonym* : insane, absurd, bizarre

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

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

**volunteer**

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

*synonym* : unpaid worker, draftee, enlistee

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

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

**donation**

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

*synonym* : contribution, gift, subsidy

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

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

**award**

*n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

*synonym* : prize, honor, accolade

(1) **award** ceremony, (2) participation **award**

He won the **award** for best actor at the film festival.

**honor**

*n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality;



(verb) to show respect towards someone

*synonym* : integrity, virtue, acclaim

(1) womanly **honor**, (2) **honor** our ancestors

I claim on my **honor** that it is true.

## embody

v. to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

*synonym* : represent, exemplify, personify

(1) **embody** my goal, (2) **embody** a spirit of charity

The company's new products **embody** the values of innovation and sustainability.

## 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**.

## 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**.

## recognition

n. the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

*synonym* : acknowledgement, identification, credit

(1) **recognition** award, (2) joint **recognition**

He was given **recognition** for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.

## nominate

v. to propose someone for a position, especially in politics or an organization, or some honor

*synonym* :

appoint, designate, elect

(1) **nominate** him for an award, (2) **nominate** government representatives

The organization **nominated** her to be the next president.

## obnoxious

*adj.* extremely unpleasant or offensive; annoying or irritating to the point of causing discomfort or harm

*synonym*: offensive, unpleasant, irritating

(1) **obnoxious** habits, (2) **obnoxious** odor

His **obnoxious** behavior at the party made everyone uncomfortable.

## donate

*v.* to give money, food, clothes, etc. to help a person or organization

*synonym*: bestow, contribute, grant

(1) **donate** to charity, (2) **donate** blood to the Red Cross

Our company **donates** to the school endowment fund every year.

## rebuild

*v.* to build again or anew

*synonym*: reconstruct, renovate, restore

(1) **rebuild** a company, (2) **rebuild** communities

They are planning to **rebuild** the house after the fire.

## amaze

*v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

*synonym*: astound, surprise, stagger

(1) **amaze** and entertain visitors, (2) **amaze** everyone

The magician's tricks **amazed** the audience.

## 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.

## hospitality

*n.* the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers

*synonym* : generosity, friendliness, cordiality

(1) **hospitality** industry, (2) **hospitality** service

The hotel is known for its exceptional **hospitality**.

## fortune

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

*synonym* : wealth, affluence, assets

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

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

## millennial

*adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

*synonym* : thousand, (noun) Generation Y

(1) **millennial** record, (2) the **millennial** reign

Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by **millennial-scale** changes in climate.

## institute

*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something

*synonym* : academy, university, college

(1) **institute** a lawsuit, (2) research **institutes**

This region has many **institutes** offering higher education.

## inefficient

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

*synonym* : ineffective, counterproductive, inadequate

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

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

## 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.

## nowadays

*adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past  
*synonym*: currently, presently, today

(1) young people **nowadays**, (2) not to be seen **nowadays**  
People can clone a sheep **nowadays**.

## hierarchy

*n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest  
*synonym*: ranking, order, scale

(1) top of the **hierarchy**, (2) **hierarchy** of folders  
She has taken a step up in the organizational **hierarchy**.

## relation

*n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another  
*synonym*: association, linkage, connection

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

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

## employer

*n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them  
*synonym*: boss, owner, company

(1) illegal **employer**, (2) **employer** responsibility

An **employer's** attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

## 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?

## historic

*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

*synonym*: memorable, momentous, historical

(1) **historic** accomplishment, (2) achieve the **historic** feat

The Chinese people have accomplished several **historic** feats.

## 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.

## 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.

## thesis

*n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

*synonym*: dissertation, argument, treatise

(1) a drift of a **thesis**, (2) master **thesis**

His **thesis** on the effects of climate change won several awards.

## 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.

## redefine

v. to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way

*synonym*: reconsider, reformulate, alter

(1) **redefine** customer experience, (2) **redefine** our role

The video telephony application has **redefined** the way we work.

## 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.

## accomplish

v. to finish or achieve something successfully

*synonym*: achieve, complete, execute

(1) **accomplish** a goal, (2) **accomplish** military operations

Humankind took centuries to **accomplish** true democracy.

## absorb

v. to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

*synonym*: consume, soak, ingest

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

The sponge **absorbs** water well.

## juggle

v. to manage or cope with several tasks, responsibilities, or situations simultaneously; to keep several things in the air at once, as in a juggling act

*synonym*: juggle, balance, handle

(1) **juggle** a job and motherhood, (2) **juggle** with facts

It can be difficult to **juggle** work, family, and social life, but finding balance is important.

## unpleasant

adj. not enjoyable or comfortable

*synonym*: disagreeable, displeasing, distasteful

(1) **unpleasant** behavior, (2) with **unpleasant** body odor

It is **unpleasant** to see criminal behavior even though it is minor.

## urgency

*n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately

*synonym*: importance, importunity, urging

(1) **urgency** in the use of force, (2) matter of **urgency**

She departed hurriedly because of some significant **urgency** in their affairs.

## 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.

## 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.

## propose

*v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

*synonym*: suggest, offer, recommend

(1) **propose** the amendment, (2) **propose** changes

I want to **propose** a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

## radical

*adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions

*synonym*: extreme, revolutionary

(1) a **radical** flaw in the plan, (2) a **radical** cure

The government established by the coup was more **radical** than before.

## magic

*n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

*synonym* : fascination, illusion, wizardry

(1) a **magic** spell, (2) she is **magic**

He performed **magic** tricks with sophisticated moves.

## arbitrary

*adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason

*synonym* : autocratic, dictatorial, whimsical

(1) **arbitrary** size and shape, (2) the **arbitrary** rule of a dictator

He collected data to avoid **arbitrary** decisions.

## ford

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

*synonym* : crossing, traversing, passing

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

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

## employee

*n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

*synonym* : worker, staff, personnel

(1) **employee** benefits, (2) **employee** evaluation

The **employee** handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

## economical

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

*synonym* : frugal, thrifty, parsimonious

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

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

## explanation

*n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear



*synonym* : description, elucidation, account

(1) the **explanation** for the failure, (2) detailed **explanation**

The following **explanation** is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.

## competition

*n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

*synonym* : contest, match, fight

(1) the first round of the **competition**, (2) intraspecific **competition**

Global **competition** is rising in virtually every industry.

## consumerism

*n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions

*synonym* : consumer culture, materialism

(1) anti- **consumerism** movement, (2) global **consumerism**

The rise of **consumerism** has led to an increase in wastefulness and environmental damage.

## obsess

*v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else

*synonym* : torment, beset, engross

(1) **obsess** over her weight, (2) he is **obsessed** with the fear

He's utterly **obsessed** with his promotion.

## probable

*adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

*synonym* : likely, possible, potential

(1) **probable** outcome, (2) **probable** cause of a fire

It seems **probable** that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

## 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**.

## browse

v. to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants

*synonym* : look around, look through, scan

(1) **browse** a website, (2) **browse** through the text  
We **browsed** in a souvenir shop.

## squash

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

*synonym* : smash, crush, compress

(1) **squash** a package, (2) **squash** a rebellion  
I like to **squash** my grapes when making homemade wine.

## slack

adj. lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude

*synonym* : loose, lax, floppy

(1) a **slack** rope, (2) **slack** performance  
The team's **slack** attitude towards deadlines caused the project to fall behind schedule.

## contribute

v. to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

*synonym* : donate, devote, commit

(1) **contribute** a large sum of money to the fund,  
(2) **contribute** to society  
Government workers cannot **contribute** to political campaigns.

## 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.

## irony

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

*synonym* : sarcasm, cynicism, wit

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

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

## hypocrite

*n.* a person who claims to have certain beliefs or values but acts in a way that contradicts those beliefs or values; a person who pretends to be virtuous or moral but behaves in an unethical or deceitful way

*synonym* : pretender, two-faced, insincere

(1) environmental **hypocrite**, (2) religious **hypocrite**

She accused her boss of being a **hypocrite** for advocating for workers' rights while mistreating his employees.

## policy

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

*synonym* : strategy, plan, guideline

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

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

## 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**.

## 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.

## worthwhile

*adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration

*synonym*: valuable, rewarding, significant

(1) **worthwhile** investment, (2) **worthwhile** endeavor

Volunteering for a **worthwhile** cause is important for building a sense of community.

## prime

*adj.* main or most important; basic

*synonym*: excellent, exceptional, premium

(1) **prime** number, (2) deputy **prime** minister

After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the **prime** suspect.

## minister

*n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department

*synonym*: bishop, official, ambassador

(1) **Minister** for Education, (2) deputy prime **minister**

The **minister** occasionally preaches at this church.

## shack

*n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained

*synonym*: shanty, cabin, hut

(1) humble **shack**, (2) beach **shack**

The fisherman lived in a small **shack** by the lake.

## 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.

## productivity

*n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time

*synonym*: efficiency, output, performance

(1) **productivity** growth, (2) improved **productivity**

She increased her **productivity** by planning out her tasks for the day.

## rid

*v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

*synonym*: do away with, free, clear

(1) get **rid** of the rats, (2) **rid** the body of waste products

We must **rid** ourselves of pollution.

## 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.

## distract

*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

*synonym*: divert, preoccupy, confuse

(1) **distract** attention from the real issue, (2) **distract** public opinion

Please don't **distract** me while I'm studying.

## jade

*n.* a green or white mineral, typically composed of jadeite or nephrite, used for making jewelry and ornamental objects; an old or over-worked horse

*synonym*: gemstone, stone, mineral

(1) a **jade** accessory, (2) decorated with **jade**

The **jade** sculpture was worth a fortune.

## suburb

*n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent

neighborhoods

*synonym* : outskirts, district, quarter

(1) **suburb** development, (2) **suburb** life

He grew up in the **suburbs** but always dreamed of living in the city.

**surf**

v. to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner

*synonym* : browse, scan, paddle

(1) **surf** the Internet, (2) **surf** the waves

I'll **surf** the online store to see if I can find that item in a different color.

**spare**

*adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone

*synonym* : extra, excess, (verb) afford

(1) **spare** parts, (2) **spare** cost

I made plans to spend my **spare** time beneficially.

**chase**

v. to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

*synonym* : pursue, hunt, track

(1) **chase** a dream, (2) wild goose **chase**

The police officer **chased** the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

**grocery**

*n.* a shop that sells food and other household items

*synonym* : foodstuff, market

(1) the **grocery** business, (2) run a **grocery**

I will go to the **grocery** store to buy food for dinner.

## efficiency

*n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money

*synonym* : effectiveness, efficacy, productivity

(1) better fuel **efficiency**, (2) an energy **efficiency**

Our company must continue to strive for greater **efficiency**.

## naval

*adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy

*synonym* : marine, seafaring, maritime

(1) **naval** battles, (2) **naval** base

The **naval** officer was responsible for the safety and well-being of the crew on his ship.

## deploy

*v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way

*synonym* : set up, expand, launch

(1) **deploy** troops for battle, (2) **deploy** safety measures

This country **deployed** its weapons in the east region.

## perpetual

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

*synonym* : enduring, unchanging, incessant

(1) **perpetual** motion machine, (2) **perpetual** struggle

The company employs a **perpetual** inventory system.

## horrendous

*adj.* causing horror, shock, or a feeling of extreme disgust; extremely unpleasant or terrifying

*synonym* : dreadful, terrible, horrifying

(1) **horrendous** traffic, (2) a **horrendous** crime

The **horrendous** storm caused massive flooding in the town and destroyed many houses.

## embarrass

*v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

*synonym* : disconcert, unsettle, agitate

(1) **embarrass** political enemy, (2) **embarrass** my project

He looked for an opportunity to **embarrass** that actor in public.

## congratulation

*n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

*synonym* : praise, compliment, felicitation

(1) **congratulation** on a promotion, (2) a matter for **congratulation**

The **congratulations** from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.

## backslide

*v.* to regress or slip back into a previous, less favorable state or condition; to relapse or backtrack, particularly with regards to progress made towards a goal or recovery from addiction or illness

*synonym* : regress, relapse, slip

(1) **backslide** into addiction, (2) **backslide** in recovery

It's common to **backslide** in efforts to quit smoking, but it's important to keep trying.

## efficient

*adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

*synonym* : productive, effective, competent

(1) **efficient** operation, (2) energy- **efficient** appliances

The new washing machine is much more **efficient** than the old one.

## reward

*n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

*synonym* : compensation, gratuity, bonus

(1) the **reward** for good works, (2) shopping **rewards** cards

Night fishing has a lot of **rewards**.

## incentive

*n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

*synonym* : encouragement, inducement, enticement

(1) financial **incentives**, (2) an **incentive** to work hard



They have no **incentive** to win the game.

## process

*n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

*synonym*: procedure, method, system

(1) **process** improvement, (2) decision-making **process**

The **process** for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

## 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.

## improvisation

*n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

*synonym*: spontaneity, ad-lib, extemporization

(1) **improvisation** on stage, (2) jazz **improvisation**

He created a beautiful piece of music using only **improvisation**.

## luxury

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

*synonym*: extravagance, indulgence, opulence

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

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

## 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.

## 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.

## demonstration

*n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others

*synonym* : manifestation, presentation, show

(1) **demonstration** project, (2) a campus **demonstration**

Thousands of people attended the protest **demonstration** against the proposed policy.

## 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.

## dilemma

*n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

*synonym* : difficulty, plight, predicament

(1) chicken-and-egg **dilemma**, (2) be in a **dilemma**

The choice between bureaucracy and adhococracy represents a common **dilemma**.

## 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.

## 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.

## 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.

## agony

*n.* extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense

*synonym* : anguish, torment, suffering

(1) severe **agony**, (2) emotional **agony**

The athlete fell to the ground in **agony** after injuring their ankle.

## syndrome

*n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder

*synonym* : disorder, condition, complication

(1) **syndrome** of dementia, (2) acute **syndrome**

The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic **syndrome**.

## wonderland

*n.* a place or situation that is delightful or enchanting, often characterized by a dreamlike or surreal quality; a reference to the fictional world from Lewis Carroll's Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

*synonym* : fantasyland, dreamland, fairyland

(1) magical **wonderland**, (2) Alice's **wonderland**

The colorful garden was a **wonderland** of various plants and flowers.

- trap** *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping  
*synonym*: catch, snare, pinfall  
(1) set a **trap**, (2) **trap** an animal  
The enemy fell right into the **trap**.
- hamster** *n.* a small, furry rodent commonly kept as a pet; often used in research laboratories due to their small size and ease of handling  
*synonym*: gerbil, guinea pig, mouse  
(1) **hamster** wheel, (2) pet **hamster**  
It's important to clean your **hamster's** cage frequently to ensure their health and comfort.
- burnout** *n.* the state of being exceedingly exhausted or unwell, either physically or mentally, as a result of overworking  
*synonym*: breakdown, exhaustion, fatigue  
(1) **burnout** syndrome, (2) mental **burnout**  
He suffered from job **burnout** because of hard work.
- inevitable** *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable  
*synonym*: inescapable, unavoidable, sure  
(1) **inevitable** changes of the seasons, (2) **inevitable** result  
In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is **inevitable**.
- transmitter** *n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals  
*synonym*: sender  
(1) a **transmitter** of a family line, (2) radio **transmitter**  
This substance acts as a neural **transmitter** substance.
- grace** *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal

*synonym*: charm, poise, elegance

(1) say a **grace**, (2) end of the **grace** period

The old oak tree stood with **grace** and majesty in the park's center.

## pineapple

*n.* tropical fruit with a rough, spiky exterior and sweet, juicy flesh inside, often used in cooking, baking, or as a snack

*synonym*: ananas, tropical fruit, bromeliad

(1) ripe **pineapple**, (2) canned **pineapple**

I love to eat fresh **pineapple** in my fruit salad.

## studio

*n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

*synonym*: workshop, atelier, room

(1) a photo **studio**, (2) music **studio**

She works at a recording **studio** in Los Angeles.

## sap

*v.* to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale

*synonym*: weaken, exhaust, drain

(1) **sap** flow, (2) **sap** strength

The disease has **sapped** all his energy, and he can barely get out of bed.

## absorption

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

*synonym*: consumption, digestion, soaking up

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

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

## bob

*v.* to move up and down quickly and repeatedly, often in a short, jerky motion; to cut, trim, or shorten hair, especially by repeatedly snipping with scissors; (noun) a hairstyle in which the hair is cut short and even all around, usually above the shoulders

*synonym* : bobble, bounce, wag

(1) **bob** a quick curtsy, (2) **bob** on the surface of the water  
I need to **bob** my head to the beat of the music.

## 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.

## introduction

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

*synonym* : initiation, preamble, prologue

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

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

## paramedic

*n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide emergency medical care to patients in the pre-hospital setting, often in ambulances or other emergency vehicles

*synonym* : emergency medical technician, ambulance attendant, medical responder

(1) **paramedic** ambulance, (2) emergency **paramedic**

The **paramedic** team worked together efficiently to stabilize the patient's vital signs.

## bump

*v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

*synonym* : collide, hit, jolt

(1) **bump** against a wall, (2) **bump** up prices

She accidentally **bumped** into him in the crowded room.

## Session 2: Spelling

1. struck d\_\_b *adj.* lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence
2. ripe pi\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* tropical fruit with a rough, spiky exterior and sweet, juicy flesh inside, often used in cooking, baking, or as a snack
3. ine\_\_\_\_\_nt use *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
4. no\_\_\_\_\_te government representatives *v.* to propose someone for a position, especially in politics or an organization, or some honor
5. mil\_\_\_\_\_al record *adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
6. sp\_\_e cost *adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
7. a lot of gr\_\_f *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
8. health po\_\_\_y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective

ANSWERS: 1. dumb, 2. pineapple, 3. inefficient, 4. nominate, 5. millennial, 6. spare, 7. grief, 8. policy

9. hos\_\_\_\_\_ty service *n.* the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers
10. break dis\_\_\_\_\_ne *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
11. meet his com\_\_\_\_\_nts *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way
12. eco\_\_\_\_\_al use of her time *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
13. chaotic env\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
14. the degree of dif\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
15. ex\_\_\_e for inaction *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
16. a ra\_\_\_\_\_l flaw in the plan *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
17. f\_\_e away almost completely *v.* to vanish; to fade away; to lose color; to lose freshness
18. top of the hi\_\_\_\_\_hy *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

ANSWERS: 9. hospitality, 10. discipline, 11. commitment, 12. economical, 13. environment, 14. difficulty, 15. excuse, 16. radical, 17. fade, 18. hierarchy



19. psy\_\_\_\_\_gy of crowd *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior
20. a good grounding in mat\_\_\_\_\_cs *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
21. notable in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
22. sp\_\_\_\_\_r a local group *v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
23. di\_\_\_\_\_ar after a week *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
24. syn\_\_\_\_\_ze our watches *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
25. de\_\_y the new project *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
26. get r\_d of the rats *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
27. not to be seen no\_\_\_\_\_ys *adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past
28. abs\_\_\_\_\_on energy *n.* a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid
29. honor gr\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
30. employment co\_\_\_\_\_ct *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

ANSWERS: 19. psychology, 20. mathematics, 21. instance, 22. sponsor, 23. disappear, 24. synchronize, 25. delay, 26. rid, 27. nowadays, 28. absorption, 29. graduate, 30. contract

31. political ta\_\_\_\_s *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
32. hi\_\_\_\_ic accomplishment *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
33. a tra\_\_\_\_er of a family line *n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals
34. anti-con\_\_\_\_sm movement *n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions
35. lo\_\_\_\_e a tumor *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
36. political do\_\_\_\_on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
37. de\_\_\_\_p a strategy *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
38. ch\_\_\_\_c alcohol consumption *adj.* being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual
39. have a ne\_\_\_\_ve effect *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

ANSWERS: 31. tactics, 32. historic, 33. transmitter, 34. consumerism, 35. locate, 36. donation, 37. develop, 38. chronic, 39. negative

40. the abs\_\_\_\_\_on of photons *n.* a process in which one substance permeates another; a fluid permeates or is dissolved by a liquid or solid
41. d\_\_l nationality *adj.* having two parts, aspects, or elements
42. fl\_\_e graphite *n.* a small, thin piece or layer of something, often with a flat or irregular shape; a person who is unreliable or inconsistent
43. don't dis\_\_\_\_\_nt me *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad
44. roll up a sc\_\_\_l *n.* a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them
45. su\_\_\_r bad grades *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
46. re\_\_\_\_\_e his thirst *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
47. co\_\_\_\_\_al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
48. the f\_\_w in the legislation *n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
49. gu\_\_\_y verdict *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
50. rec\_\_\_\_\_on award *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal

ANSWERS: 40. absorption, 41. dual, 42. flake, 43. disappoint, 44. scroll, 45. suffer, 46. relieve, 47. communal, 48. flaw, 49. guilty, 50. recognition

51. fairly ty\_\_\_\_l symptoms *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
52. for spe\_\_\_\_\_lly American customers *adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
53. an eco\_\_\_\_\_al meal *adj.* providing a satisfactory return on the money, time, or effort; not using more money, fuel, etc. than necessary
54. fi\_\_\_\_\_ll protection *n.* (in computing) a technological barrier designed to stop people from seeing or using the information on a computer without permission but still allow them to receive information that is sent to them
55. re\_\_\_\_t temptation *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
56. mi\_\_\_\_\_ht shift *n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
57. ba\_\_\_\_\_b drain *n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe
58. sc\_\_\_\_l through a document *n.* a long roll of paper containing writing; (verb) to move through text or graphics on a screen to view different parts of them
59. She int\_\_\_\_\_lly spread misleading information. *adv.* in a planned or intended way
60. humble sh\_\_k *n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained

ANSWERS: 51. typical, 52. specifically, 53. economical, 54. firewall, 55. resist, 56. midnight, 57. bathtub, 58. scroll, 59. intentionally, 60. shack

61. treated with royal ac\_\_\_\_m *n.* praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
62. a prodigious vi\_\_\_\_n *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
63. numerous un\_\_\_\_\_in factors *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
64. ci\_\_\_\_\_an clock *adj.* relating to a physiological cycle that lasts approximately 24 hours, impacting physical and behavioral changes that occur over the course of a day, such as sleep-wake cycles or fluctuations in hormones
65. fa\_\_\_\_\_te the public *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
66. sl\_\_k performance *adj.* lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude
67. lack of wi\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* the control exerted to do something or restrain impulses
68. pet ha\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a small, furry rodent commonly kept as a pet; often used in research laboratories due to their small size and ease of handling
69. the state of being we\_\_d *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
70. have an un\_\_\_r advantage *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

ANSWERS: 61. acclaim, 62. vision, 63. uncertain, 64. circadian, 65. fascinate, 66. slack, 67. willpower, 68. hamster, 69. weird, 70. unfair

71. am\_\_\_\_g advances *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
72. ov\_\_\_\_p in many areas *v.* to partially cover something by going beyond its edge
73. a sl\_\_k rope *adj.* lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude
74. em\_\_\_\_y my goal *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
75. ant\_\_\_\_\_te a black future *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance
76. p\_\_r group *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
77. perfect ex\_\_\_\_e *n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
78. feel a bit gu\_\_\_\_y *adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
79. 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
80. an\_\_\_\_y for knowledge *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
81. a com\_\_\_\_\_nt to an alliance *n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

ANSWERS: 71. amazing, 72. overlap, 73. slack, 74. embody, 75. anticipate, 76. peer, 77. excuse, 78. guilty, 79. pursue, 80. anxiety, 81. commitment



90. re\_\_r to a book *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
91. st\_\_\_\_\_re and function of the brain *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
92. ty\_\_\_\_\_l leader *adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
93. achieve a le\_\_\_\_\_ry status *adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition
94. a tr\_\_\_\_\_on of a culture *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
95. br\_\_\_e through the text *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
96. across a f\_\_d *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
97. t\_g a rope *v.* to pull something quickly and hard, often several times
98. self-int\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 90. refer, 91. structure, 92. typical, 93. legendary, 94. tradition, 95. browse, 96. ford, 97. tug, 98. introduction



99. he is ob\_\_\_sed with the fear      *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
100. do him a di\_\_\_\_or      *n.* the lack of honor or respect; a feeling of shame or disgrace
101. me\_\_\_\_n name      *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
102. pr\_\_\_\_ty call      *n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
103. a j\_\_e accessory      *n.* a green or white mineral, typically composed of jadeite or nephrite, used for making jewelry and ornamental objects; an old or over-worked horse
104. one-to-one cor\_\_\_\_\_nce      *n.* the letters, emails, etc., especially official or business ones; the quality or state of being the same in amount, number, status
105. gr\_\_t a land      *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
106. an o\_l hooted      *n.* a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call
107. de\_\_\_\_p a skill      *v.* to grow or expand; to improve or refine through a process of progress and refinement, often to achieve greater sophistication or complexity; to elaborate or add detail to something that is in the process of being created
108. un\_\_\_r employment practices      *adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

ANSWERS: 99. obsess, 100. dishonor, 101. mention, 102. priority, 103. jade, 104. correspondence, 105. grant, 106. owl, 107. develop, 108. unfair

109. the cr\_\_\_\_or's claims *n.* a person, company, etc. to whom a debtor owes money
110. meet with opp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
111. mi\_\_\_\_\_ht snack *n.* the middle point of the night, usually defined as 12:00 AM or the start of a new day
112. pl\_\_\_\_t like the Earth *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
113. c\_e card *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
114. magical won\_\_\_\_\_nd *n.* a place or situation that is delightful or enchanting, often characterized by a dreamlike or surreal quality; a reference to the fictional world from Lewis Carroll's Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
115. sc\_\_\_\_m at him to be quiet *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
116. energy-ef\_\_\_\_\_nt appliances *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials

ANSWERS: 109. creditor, 110. opposition, 111. midnight, 112. planet, 113. cue, 114. wonderland, 115. scream, 116. efficient

117. send out the la\_\_\_\_y                    *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
118. su\_\_e of products                    *n.* a set of rooms designated for a particular purpose or activity, especially a set of rooms in a hotel or private residence used as a living unit; a musical composition of several movements only loosely connected; the group following and attending to some important person
119. eff\_\_\_\_\_ly combined            *adv.* in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense
120. ef\_\_\_\_\_nt operation            *adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
121. me\_\_\_\_\_n in a report            *v.* to speak or write about something or someone briefly
122. terrestrial gl\_\_e                    *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
123. be in a di\_\_\_\_\_a                    *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
124. deputy prime mi\_\_\_\_\_er            *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
125. ob\_\_\_\_\_us odor                    *adj.* extremely unpleasant or offensive; annoying or irritating to the point of causing discomfort or harm

ANSWERS: 117. laundry, 118. suite, 119. efficiently, 120. efficient, 121. mention, 122. globe, 123. dilemma, 124. minister, 125. obnoxious

126. re\_\_\_\_\_on between cause and effect *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
127. su\_\_\_\_\_e beforehand *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
128. afraid to show em\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
129. develop a st\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
130. ob\_\_\_\_\_us habits *adj.* extremely unpleasant or offensive; annoying or irritating to the point of causing discomfort or harm
131. re\_\_\_\_\_te blood sugar levels *v.* to control something, especially by means of rules or laws
132. imp\_\_\_\_\_ion on stage *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation
133. em\_\_\_\_y a spirit of charity *v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea
134. in great co\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
135. vo\_\_\_\_e of work *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
136. pre\_\_\_\_\_tor mindset *n.* (antonym for "procrastinator") a person who tends to complete tasks as soon as possible, often excessively or prematurely; someone who inclines to finish or accomplish tasks far ahead of the deadline or required time

ANSWERS: 126. relation, 127. suppose, 128. emotion, 129. strategy, 130. obnoxious, 131. regulate, 132. improvisation, 133. embody, 134. confusion, 135. volume, 136. precrastinator

137. sn\_\_k out of danger      *v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
138. l\_\_m over the global economy      *v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
139. ind\_\_\_\_\_al freedom      *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
140. pro\_\_\_\_\_ate about a big challenge      *v.* to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring
141. telescopic vi\_\_\_n      *n.* the ability to think about or see the future with imagination and intelligence; the faculty of being able to see
142. in samba rh\_\_\_m      *n.* a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing
143. far\_\_\_\_\_ed idea      *adj.* (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe
144. co\_\_\_\_\_ct law      *n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law
145. do\_\_\_e blood to the Red Cross      *v.* to give money, food, clothes, etc. to help a person or organization
146. tw\_\_t around to the left      *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
147. dis\_\_\_\_\_nt the audience      *v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

ANSWERS: 137. sneak, 138. loom, 139. individual, 140. procrastinate, 141. vision, 142. rhythm, 143. far-fetched, 144. contract, 145. donate, 146. twist, 147. disappoint

148. chicken-and-egg di\_\_\_\_a      *n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones
149. def\_\_\_\_\_ly become a problem      *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
150. j\_\_k mail      *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
151. sc\_\_\_\_\_le words      *v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game
152. ma\_\_\_\_\_l place      *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
153. series of exp\_\_\_\_\_nts      *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
154. clarify am\_\_\_\_\_us points      *adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
155. fi\_\_\_\_\_ll application      *n.* (in computing) a technological barrier designed to stop people from seeing or using the information on a computer without permission but still allow them to receive information that is sent to them

ANSWERS: 148. dilemma, 149. definitely, 150. junk, 151. scrabble, 152. magical, 153. experiment, 154. ambiguous, 155. firewall

156. demonstrate wi\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* the control exerted to do something or restrain impulses
157. s\_p strength *v.* to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale
158. an energy eff\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
159. pro\_\_\_\_\_on of civilization *n.* the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
160. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly obsessed with the girl *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly
161. arson-caused wi\_\_\_\_\_re *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
162. acute sy\_\_\_\_\_me *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
163. music st\_\_\_o *n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company
164. di\_\_\_\_\_ar without a trace *v.* to cease to exist or be visible
165. pr\_\_\_\_\_e changes *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
166. Mi\_\_\_\_\_er for Education *n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
167. a re\_\_\_l dealer *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets

ANSWERS: 156. willpower, 157. sap, 158. efficiency, 159. progression, 160. absolutely, 161. wildfire, 162. syndrome, 163. studio, 164. disappear, 165. propose, 166. minister, 167. retail

168. far\_\_\_\_\_ed expressions *adj.* (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe
169. as\_\_\_n projects *v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
170. lo\_\_\_e a missing pet *v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
171. na\_\_\_l battles *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
172. b\_t cave *n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis
173. write him an answer imm\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* now or without delay
174. master th\_\_\_s *n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject
175. the ca\_\_\_\_\_n of an opposing team *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft
176. co\_\_\_\_\_al swimming pool *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
177. a cl\_\_\_\_\_c experiment *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
178. ant\_\_\_\_\_te your kind cooperation *v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

ANSWERS: 168. far-fetched, 169. assign, 170. locate, 171. naval, 172. bat, 173. immediately, 174. thesis, 175. captain, 176. communal, 177. classic, 178. anticipate



179. re\_\_\_t being kissed      *v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening
180. a con\_\_\_\_\_ly innovative enterprise      *adv.* all the time
181. d\_\_b creatures      *adj.* lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence
182. co\_\_\_\_\_m a transaction      *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
183. ob\_\_\_s over her weight      *v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
184. the gr\_\_\_\_\_y business      *n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
185. em\_\_\_\_\_ss political enemy      *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
186. sc\_\_\_m a profanity      *v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice
187. p\_\_t twist      *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
188. end of the first ep\_\_\_\_\_e      *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
189. intraspecific com\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another

ANSWERS: 179. resist, 180. constantly, 181. dumb, 182. confirm, 183. obsess, 184. grocery, 185. embarrass, 186. scream, 187. plot, 188. episode, 189. competition

190. ex\_\_\_\_e sports *adj.* very great in amount or degree
191. foreign po\_\_\_\_y *n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
192. b\_\_p up prices *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
193. emergency pa\_\_\_\_ic *n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide emergency medical care to patients in the pre-hospital setting, often in ambulances or other emergency vehicles
194. get into the lu\_\_\_\_y car market *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
195. bitter ir\_\_y *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
196. sy\_\_\_\_me of dementia *n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder
197. beach sh\_\_k *n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained

ANSWERS: 190. extreme, 191. policy, 192. bump, 193. paramedic, 194. luxury, 195. irony, 196. syndrome, 197. shack

198. a ra\_\_\_\_l cure *adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
199. gr\_\_\_\_te degree program *n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree
200. collaborate with co\_\_\_\_ues *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
201. tw\_\_t a wet towel *v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape
202. joint rec\_\_\_\_on *n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
203. ou\_\_\_\_t a problem *v.* to defeat or overcome someone cleverly or cunningly by outsmarting them; to be more clever or cunning than someone else
204. a picture fr\_\_e *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
205. pay annual s\_\_t *n.* a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant
206. pi\_\_y personality *adj.* overly particular or selective, especially about food or other consumable goods; difficult to please or satisfy because of one's specific tastes or preferences

ANSWERS: 198. radical, 199. graduate, 200. colleague, 201. twist, 202. recognition, 203. outwit, 204. frame, 205. scot, 206. picky

207. industry-sp\_\_\_\_ic regulations *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
208. in\_\_\_\_ng scent *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
209. the first round of the com\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
210. improved pro\_\_\_\_\_ity *n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time
211. exp\_\_\_\_\_nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
212. reg\_\_\_\_\_on by the government *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
213. ev\_\_e sympathy *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind
214. establish au\_\_\_\_\_my *n.* the right of an organization, country, or region to govern itself independently
215. a heavy sc\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

ANSWERS: 207. specific, 208. inviting, 209. competition, 210. productivity, 211. experiment, 212. regulation, 213. evoke, 214. autonomy, 215. schedule

216. em\_\_\_\_\_ee benefits *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
217. religious hy\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who claims to have certain beliefs or values but acts in a way that contradicts those beliefs or values; a person who pretends to be virtuous or moral but behaves in an unethical or deceitful way
218. pre\_\_\_\_\_ly accurate *adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof
219. a business cor\_\_\_\_\_nce *n.* the letters, emails, etc., especially official or business ones; the quality or state of being the same in amount, number, status
220. res\_\_\_\_\_le for a customer service *adj.* answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
221. the fr\_\_e of the policy *n.* a strong border or structure of the wood, metal, etc. that surrounds something such as a picture, door, or window
222. treat this dev\_\_\_\_\_ng disease *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
223. no\_\_\_\_\_te him for an award *v.* to propose someone for a position, especially in politics or an organization, or some honor
224. ill fo\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs

ANSWERS: 216. employee, 217. hypocrite, 218. presumably, 219. correspondence, 220. responsible, 221. frame, 222. devastating, 223. nominate, 224. fortune

225. hi\_\_\_\_\_ke across the country      *v.* to obtain a ride in a passing vehicle by signaling to the driver or waving one's thumb; to travel by getting a free ride in someone else's vehicle
226. a ga\_\_\_y of famous actors      *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
227. chronic bo\_\_\_\_\_m      *n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
228. re\_\_\_\_\_d a company      *v.* to build again or anew
229. have dev\_\_\_\_\_ng effects      *adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
230. the fle\_\_\_\_\_ty of the body      *n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
231. rigid dis\_\_\_\_\_ne      *n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence
232. su\_\_\_\_\_e you're right      *v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
233. ro\_\_\_\_\_e business      *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program
234. spice r\_\_k      *n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

ANSWERS: 225. hitchhike, 226. galaxy, 227. boredom, 228. rebuild, 229. devastating, 230. flexibility, 231. discipline, 232. suppose, 233. routine, 234. rack

235. set a t\_\_p *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
236. big, b\_\_d piano sounds *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
237. st\_\_\_\_\_le to get the job *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
238. br\_\_\_\_\_nt idea *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
239. ch\_\_e a dream *v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes
240. the Great Dep\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
241. a precise def\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
242. m\_\_a-language *adj.* pertaining to or involving a higher or more abstract level of analysis, interpretation, or self-reference, often used to describe aspects of gaming, social media, or other online communities that involve self-conscious or self-referential elements

ANSWERS: 235. trap, 236. bold, 237. struggle, 238. brilliant, 239. chase, 240. depression, 241. definition, 242. meta

243. acc\_\_\_\_\_te cash value      *v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time
244. sen\_\_\_\_\_al damage      *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
245. the eq\_\_\_\_\_on of poverty with ignorance      *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign
246. pr\_\_\_\_\_ad document      *v.* to examine written material and mark any errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation, or formatting; to read carefully and correct errors
247. irregular heart rh\_\_\_\_m      *n.* a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing
248. criminal gu\_\_t      *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
249. cast su\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong
250. s\_\_r a sauce      *v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused
251. listen to a po\_\_\_\_\_t      *n.* a radio program made available in digital format that you can download from the Internet and play on a computer or music player

ANSWERS: 243. accumulate, 244. sentimental, 245. equation, 246. proofread, 247. rhythm, 248. guilt, 249. suspicion, 250. stir, 251. podcast



252. military st\_\_\_\_\_gy *n.* a detailed plan of action designed to achieve a long-term or overall goal.
253. mental fle\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations
254. s\_p flow *v.* to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale
255. unn\_\_\_\_\_ry hassle *adj.* not needed or required; not essential or important
256. am\_\_e and entertain visitors *v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
257. ex\_\_\_\_\_e weather events *adj.* very great in amount or degree
258. p\_\_t a revolution *n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
259. a hor\_\_\_\_\_us crime *adj.* causing horror, shock, or a feeling of extreme disgust; extremely unpleasant or terrifying
260. sp\_\_\_\_\_r a contest *v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
261. an\_\_\_\_\_ng habit *adj.* making someone feel slightly angry
262. feel com\_\_\_\_\_on for the poor *n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
263. an in\_\_\_\_\_ve to work hard *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something

ANSWERS: 252. strategy, 253. flexibility, 254. sap, 255. unnecessary, 256. amaze, 257. extreme, 258. plot, 259. horrendous, 260. sponsor, 261. annoying, 262. compassion, 263. incentive

264. mental bu\_\_\_\_t                    *n.* the state of being exceedingly exhausted or unwell, either physically or mentally, as a result of overworking
265. administrative co\_\_\_\_\_on                    *n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
266. the court se\_\_\_\_\_n                    *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
267. ready-made ph\_\_\_\_es                    *n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together
268. a we\_\_d dress                    *adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain
269. ne\_\_\_\_\_ic disorder                    *adj.* suffering from neurosis or excessive and irrational anxiety or distress, often about everyday situations and circumstances
270. control my em\_\_\_\_\_n                    *n.* a strong feeling such as love, anger, etc. deriving from one's situation, mood, or relationships with others
271. c\_\_b anxiety                    *v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk
272. int\_\_\_\_\_ion education                    *n.* a preliminary explanation or remarks given before the start of a text, performance, or event; the act of bringing something new into existence or introducing something to a wider audience or new market

ANSWERS: 264. burnout, 265. confusion, 266. session, 267. phrase, 268. weird, 269. neurotic, 270. emotion, 271. curb, 272. introduction



282. sc\_\_\_\_\_le through her purse      *v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game
283. ob\_\_\_\_\_e a tradition      *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
284. su\_\_\_\_b development      *n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
285. unn\_\_\_\_\_ry expense      *adj.* not needed or required; not essential or important
286. ou\_\_\_\_t his competitors      *v.* to defeat or overcome someone cleverly or cunningly by outsmarting them; to be more clever or cunning than someone else
287. su\_\_\_\_r a setback      *v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant
288. di\_\_\_\_\_ct public opinion      *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
289. take a sn\_\_\_\_e      *v.* to take a brief nap or doze, often for a short period of time, especially during the day; to sleep lightly or fitfully; (noun) nodded politely

ANSWERS: 282. scrabble, 283. observe, 284. suburb, 285. unnecessary, 286. outwit, 287. suffer, 288. distract, 289. snooze

290. ine\_\_\_\_\_le changes of the seasons     *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
291. un\_\_\_\_\_on talents     *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
292. deputy pr\_\_e minister     *adj.* main or most important; basic
293. radio tra\_\_\_\_\_er     *n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals
294. a friendly con\_\_\_\_\_ion     *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.
295. n\_\_t idea     *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
296. ac\_\_\_\_\_m the winner     *n.* praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly
297. ac\_\_\_\_\_nt himself with a subject     *v.* to cause someone to become aware of or familiar with someone or something
298. aw\_\_d ceremony     *n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
299. mu\_\_\_\_\_om cultivation     *n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap
300. c\_\_e business activity     *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
301. the m\_\_d in a room     *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
302. barren of cr\_\_\_\_\_ve spirit     *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 290. inevitable, 291. uncommon, 292. prime, 293. transmitter, 294. conversation, 295. neat, 296. acclaim, 297. acquaint, 298. award, 299. mushroom, 300. core, 301. mood, 302. creative

303. a con\_\_\_\_\_ly varying mind *adv.* all the time
304. the st\_\_\_\_\_re of a machine *n.* the way of construction of something and the arrangement of its parts, or a complex thing constructed of many parts
305. ex\_\_\_d agricultural output *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
306. acc\_\_\_\_\_sh a goal *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
307. t\_\_p an animal *n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping
308. art cr\_\_\_c *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
309. fill the fr\_\_\_e *n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh
310. syn\_\_\_\_\_ze movements *v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate
311. documentary pr\_\_f *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
312. ma\_\_\_\_\_l powers *adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers
313. ou\_\_\_\_\_rt the competition *v.* to defeat or best someone through cleverness, cunning, or intelligence, to prevail over someone by being smarter or more strategic

ANSWERS: 303. constantly, 304. structure, 305. expand, 306. accomplish, 307. trap, 308. critic, 309. fridge, 310. synchronize, 311. proof, 312. magical, 313. outsmart

314. 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
315. ha\_\_\_\_y through my journey *adj.* in or at a point midway or an equal distance between two points
316. the c\_\_e of an apple *n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something
317. p\_\_r review *n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
318. f\_\_d a river *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
319. mo\_\_\_\_te the students *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
320. am\_\_\_\_us situation *adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided
321. ex\_\_\_\_d a lineup *v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
322. su\_\_\_\_b life *n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
323. a campus dem\_\_\_\_\_ion *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
324. re\_\_\_\_re market *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

ANSWERS: 314. rev, 315. halfway, 316. core, 317. peer, 318. ford, 319. motivate, 320. ambiguous, 321. expand, 322. suburb, 323. demonstration, 324. reassure

325. e\_o defense mechanisms *n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one
326. as\_\_\_n top priority *v.* to give a specific job or piece of work to a someone
327. b\_\_n muffins *n.* the outermost layer of cereal grain, such as wheat or rice, which is removed during milling and is often used as animal feed or as a source of dietary fiber for humans; a type of coarse, fibrous substance that remains as a residue or byproduct in various industrial processes, such as oil extraction or papermaking
328. a drift of a th\_\_\_s *n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject
329. the ma\_\_\_\_m speed *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
330. di\_\_\_e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
331. she hit him int\_\_\_\_\_lly *adv.* in a planned or intended way
332. gr\_\_t a new license *v.* to agree to give or allow somebody
333. the exp\_\_\_\_\_on for the failure *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
334. gas-fired fu\_\_\_\_e *n.* an enclosed chamber for heating metal or glass to very high temperatures

ANSWERS: 325. ego, 326. assign, 327. bran, 328. thesis, 329. maximum, 330. divide, 331. intentionally, 332. grant, 333. explanation, 334. furnace



335. le\_\_\_\_\_ry actor *adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition
336. too\_\_\_\_\_te hygiene product *n.* a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath
337. 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
338. sp\_\_e parts *adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
339. re\_\_\_l store *n.* the sale of goods or services to consumers, especially in small quantities, either directly to the end customer or through retail outlets
340. t\_\_e of horror *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
341. a bold hyp\_\_\_\_\_is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
342. co\_\_\_r honor *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
343. a chemical eq\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

ANSWERS: 335. legendary, 336. toothpaste, 337. rev, 338. spare, 339. retail, 340. tale, 341. hypothesis, 342. confer, 343. equation

344. ine\_\_\_\_\_nt management *adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
345. inc\_\_\_\_\_nt leadership *adj.* lacking the necessary skills, knowledge, or ability to perform a task or job; not legally qualified or authorized to perform a particular task or job
346. research in\_\_\_\_\_tes *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
347. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly become obsolete *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
348. sq\_\_\_h a rebellion *v.* to forcefully crush or flatten something; to suppress, stifle, or defeat an idea or opposition forcefully
349. de\_\_\_e centigrade *n.* a unit of measurement for angles, temperature, or level of proficiency or achievement; a rank or level of academic or professional attainment
350. dispel do\_\_ts *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
351. historical no\_\_l *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
352. ab\_\_\_b energy *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

ANSWERS: 344. inefficient, 345. incompetent, 346. institute, 347. eventually, 348. squash, 349. degree, 350. doubt, 351. novel, 352. absorb

353. a fairy t\_\_e *n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
354. have com\_\_\_\_\_on toward the accident *n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
355. take an un\_\_\_\_\_in attitude *adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
356. do\_\_\_e to charity *v.* to give money, food, clothes, etc. to help a person or organization
357. s\_\_f the waves *v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner
358. office sl\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who is lazy or avoids work and responsibilities; someone who lacks motivation or ambition
359. em\_\_\_\_\_er responsibility *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them
360. unple\_\_\_\_\_nt behavior *adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable
361. ma\_\_\_\_\_m limit *adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
362. id\_\_\_\_\_ty as an individual *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
363. a delicate fl\_\_\_r *n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

ANSWERS: 353. tale, 354. compassion, 355. uncertain, 356. donate, 357. surf, 358. slacker, 359. employer, 360. unpleasant, 361. maximum, 362. identity, 363. flavor

364. con\_\_\_\_\_ion on a promotion      *n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
365. in an ugly m\_\_d      *n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind
366. hor\_\_\_\_\_us traffic      *adj.* causing horror, shock, or a feeling of extreme disgust; extremely unpleasant or terrifying
367. de\_\_\_y troops for battle      *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
368. e\_\_t a video      *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
369. ne\_\_\_\_\_ic behavior      *adj.* suffering from neurosis or excessive and irrational anxiety or distress, often about everyday situations and circumstances
370. the root problem of her dep\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* a mental condition in which a person feels very unhappy and without hope for the future; a severe recession in an economy or market
371. ju\_\_e a competition      *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
372. arrange my sc\_\_\_\_\_le      *n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done

ANSWERS: 364. congratulation, 365. mood, 366. horrendous, 367. deploy, 368. edit, 369. neurotic, 370. depression, 371. judge, 372. schedule

373. di\_\_\_e money equally      *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
374. a company reg\_\_\_\_\_on      *n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
375. ho\_\_r our ancestors      *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone
376. the most am\_\_\_\_\_g feeling      *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
377. po\_\_\_\_\_ne meeting      *v.* to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date
378. abruptly in\_\_\_\_\_pt      *v.* to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action
379. or\_\_\_\_\_ry annual revenue      *adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree
380. em\_\_\_\_\_ee evaluation      *n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker
381. lu\_\_\_y hotel      *n.* a state of great comfort or sophistication, mainly provided by expensive and beautiful things
382. a built-in diagnostic ro\_\_\_\_\_e      *n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

ANSWERS: 373. divide, 374. regulation, 375. honor, 376. amazing, 377. postpone, 378. interrupt, 379. ordinary, 380. employee, 381. luxury, 382. routine

383. d\_\_l purpose *adj.* having two parts, aspects, or elements
384. better fuel eff\_\_\_\_\_cy *n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money
385. ob\_\_\_\_\_e wildlife *v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion
386. de\_\_\_e my position *v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
387. pr\_\_\_\_\_ad manuscript *v.* to examine written material and mark any errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation, or formatting; to read carefully and correct errors
388. pr\_\_\_\_\_le outcome *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
389. say a gr\_\_\_e *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
390. the con\_\_\_\_\_ce of an argument *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
391. test my hyp\_\_\_\_\_is *n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
392. decision-making pr\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

ANSWERS: 383. dual, 384. efficiency, 385. observe, 386. define, 387. proofread,

388. probable, 389. grace, 390. consequence, 391. hypothesis, 392. process

393. pro\_\_\_\_\_ate on my homework      *v.* to postpone doing what you should do, often because it is unpleasant or boring
394. inc\_\_\_\_\_nt employee      *adj.* lacking the necessary skills, knowledge, or ability to perform a task or job; not legally qualified or authorized to perform a particular task or job
395. m\_\_a-analysis      *adj.* pertaining to or involving a higher or more abstract level of analysis, interpretation, or self-reference, often used to describe aspects of gaming, social media, or other online communities that involve self-conscious or self-referential elements
396. severe cr\_\_\_c      *n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.
397. b\_b a quick curtsy      *v.* to move up and down quickly and repeatedly, often in a short, jerky motion; to cut, trim, or shorten hair, especially by repeatedly snipping with scissors; (noun) a hairstyle in which the hair is cut short and even all around, usually above the shoulders
398. economic em\_\_\_\_o      *n.* a ban or restriction on trade, commerce, or travel imposed by one country or group of countries against another as a means of political or economic pressure or punishment
399. womanly ho\_\_r      *n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

ANSWERS: 393. procrastinate, 394. incompetent, 395. meta, 396. critic, 397. bob, 398. embargo, 399. honor



400. the def\_\_\_\_\_on of a word *n.* a concise explanation of the meaning of a word, phrase, or symbol
401. pr\_\_\_\_\_im law *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
402. ine\_\_\_\_\_le result *adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable
403. ci\_\_\_\_\_an disruption *adj.* relating to a physiological cycle that lasts approximately 24 hours, impacting physical and behavioral changes that occur over the course of a day, such as sleep-wake cycles or fluctuations in hormones
404. run a gr\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* a shop that sells food and other household items
405. eve\_\_\_\_\_ly succeed *adv.* finally, particularly after a long time or a lot of struggle, complications, and so on
406. ack\_\_\_\_\_ge his help *v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
407. no\_\_l effect *n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
408. argue with a co\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization
409. 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

ANSWERS: 400. definition, 401. proclaim, 402. inevitable, 403. circadian, 404. grocery, 405. eventually, 406. acknowledge, 407. novel, 408. coworker, 409. pursue

410. de\_\_\_\_\_nt stick *n.* a product applied to the body, typically under the arms, that helps to eliminate or mask unpleasant body odor
411. shopping re\_\_\_\_ds cards *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
412. a night o\_l *n.* a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call
413. an in\_\_\_\_\_re future *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
414. co\_\_\_\_\_m the diagnosis *v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
415. mat\_\_\_\_\_cs competition *n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement
416. bombs fell at ra\_\_\_\_m *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
417. te\_\_\_\_\_ng offer *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
418. re\_\_y a kindness *v.* to give back or make restitution for money, debt, or other obligation that is owed; to compensate or reward someone for something done or given
419. ca\_\_\_\_\_n of industry *n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

ANSWERS: 410. deodorant, 411. reward, 412. owl, 413. insecure, 414. confirm, 415. mathematics, 416. random, 417. tempting, 418. repay, 419. captain

420. wor\_\_\_\_\_le endeavor *adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration
421. re\_\_r to a map *v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
422. ep\_\_\_\_\_e of vertigo *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
423. cr\_\_\_\_\_ve writing *adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something
424. sn\_\_\_e peacefully in her crib *v.* to take a brief nap or doze, often for a short period of time, especially during the day; to sleep lightly or fitfully; (noun) nodded politely
425. ex\_\_\_e rebellion *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
426. say def\_\_\_\_\_ly *adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
427. po\_\_\_\_\_ne event *v.* to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date
428. decorated with j\_\_e *n.* a green or white mineral, typically composed of jadeite or nephrite, used for making jewelry and ornamental objects; an old or over-worked horse

ANSWERS: 420. worthwhile, 421. refer, 422. episode, 423. creative, 424. snooze, 425. excite, 426. definitely, 427. postpone, 428. jade

429. in\_\_\_\_\_te a lawsuit *n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
430. la\_\_\_\_\_y room *n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
431. re\_\_\_\_\_ne our role *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
432. re\_\_\_\_\_le a dispute *v.* to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist
433. con\_\_\_\_\_te to society *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
434. for\_\_\_\_\_ss of liabilities *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
435. ma\_\_\_\_\_ft shelter *adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
436. ev\_\_\_\_\_te the grant proposal *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
437. imm\_\_\_\_\_ly recall a product *adv.* now or without delay
438. abs\_\_\_\_\_ly against *adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

ANSWERS: 429. institute, 430. laundry, 431. redefine, 432. reconcile, 433. contribute, 434. forgiveness, 435. makeshift, 436. evaluate, 437. immediately, 438. absolutely

439. severe ag\_\_y *n.* extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense
440. s\_\_f the Internet *v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner
441. diagnosis of an\_\_\_\_y disorder *n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future
442. n\_\_m of action *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
443. power too\_\_\_\_\_sh *n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
444. re\_\_\_\_\_nd a hospitalization *v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
445. she is ma\_\_c *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
446. re\_\_\_\_\_re anxious patients *v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence
447. young people no\_\_\_\_\_ys *adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past
448. his latest tw\_\_ts *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
449. global con\_\_\_\_\_sm *n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions

ANSWERS: 439. agony, 440. surf, 441. anxiety, 442. norm, 443. toothbrush, 444. recommend, 445. magic, 446. reassure, 447. nowadays, 448. tweet, 449. consumerism

450. st\_\_\_\_le against discrimination      *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
451. develop software more eff\_\_\_\_ly      *adv.* in a way that produces maximum output with minimum effort or expense
452. su\_\_e room      *n.* a set of rooms designated for a particular purpose or activity, especially a set of rooms in a hotel or private residence used as a living unit; a musical composition of several movements only loosely connected; the group following and attending to some important person
453. financial in\_\_\_\_ves      *n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
454. mu\_\_\_\_om spores      *n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap
455. clothing r\_\_k      *n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish
456. ev\_\_\_\_te a situation      *v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something
457. jazz imp\_\_\_\_ion      *n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

ANSWERS: 450. struggle, 451. efficiently, 452. suite, 453. incentive, 454. mushroom, 455. rack, 456. evaluate, 457. improvisation

458. en\_\_\_\_\_us amount *adj.* extremely large or great
459. hi\_\_\_\_\_ke a ride *v.* to obtain a ride in a passing vehicle by signaling to the driver or waving one's thumb; to travel by getting a free ride in someone else's vehicle
460. pi\_\_y about details *adj.* overly particular or selective, especially about food or other consumable goods; difficult to please or satisfy because of one's specific tastes or preferences
461. pl\_\_\_e into the water *v.* to dive quickly and steeply downward; to thrust or throw into something; (noun) a steep and rapid fall
462. ju\_\_\_e with facts *v.* to manage or cope with several tasks, responsibilities, or situations simultaneously; to keep several things in the air at once, as in a juggling act
463. bit of good fo\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* a large amount of money or property; chance or luck as an unknown and arbitrary force affecting human affairs
464. achieve the hi\_\_\_\_\_ic feat *adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so
465. a re\_\_\_\_\_nt of a Nobel prize *n.* a person who receives something
466. give properties by te\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
467. pe\_\_\_\_\_al motion machine *adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted
468. b\_t an eye *n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis

ANSWERS: 458. enormous, 459. hitchhike, 460. picky, 461. plunge, 462. juggle, 463. fortune, 464. historic, 465. recipient, 466. testament, 467. perpetual, 468. bat

469. traditional S\_\_t attire *n.* a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant
470. fr\_\_\_e magnet *n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh
471. ov\_\_\_\_\_me opponents *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
472. fa\_\_\_\_\_te the young *v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly
473. an associate ju\_\_e *n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something
474. have gr\_\_f and sorrow *n.* a very great sadness, especially when somebody dies
475. t\_g at his hand *v.* to pull something quickly and hard, often several times
476. hi\_\_\_\_\_hy of folders *n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest
477. a ne\_\_\_\_\_ve number *adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal
478. bu\_\_\_w through the forest *v.* to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
479. an\_\_\_\_\_ng banner ad *adj.* making someone feel slightly angry

ANSWERS: 469. scot, 470. fridge, 471. overcome, 472. fascinate, 473. judge, 474. grief, 475. tug, 476. hierarchy, 477. negative, 478. burrow, 479. annoying



480. inc\_\_\_\_\_ly cheerful character *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
481. de\_\_\_e on a course of action *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
482. di\_\_\_\_\_ct attention from the real issue *v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do
483. matter of ur\_\_\_\_\_y *n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately
484. su\_\_\_\_\_on of fraud *n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong
485. sw\_\_\_p up dead leaves *v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly
486. hunk of j\_\_k *n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition
487. bu\_\_\_\_\_t syndrome *n.* the state of being exceedingly exhausted or unwell, either physically or mentally, as a result of overworking
488. make a do\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
489. el\_\_\_t a solution *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
490. se\_\_\_\_\_te cream from milk *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different

ANSWERS: 480. incredibly, 481. decide, 482. distract, 483. urgency, 484. suspicion, 485. sweep, 486. junk, 487. burnout, 488. donation, 489. elicit, 490. separate

491. canned pi\_\_\_\_\_le *n.* tropical fruit with a rough, spiky exterior and sweet, juicy flesh inside, often used in cooking, baking, or as a snack
492. ba\_\_\_\_\_de into addiction *v.* to regress or slip back into a previous, less favorable state or condition; to relapse or backtrack, particularly with regards to progress made towards a goal or recovery from addiction or illness
493. the ul\_\_\_\_\_te luxury *adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
494. environmental hy\_\_\_\_\_te *n.* a person who claims to have certain beliefs or values but acts in a way that contradicts those beliefs or values; a person who pretends to be virtuous or moral but behaves in an unethical or deceitful way
495. end of the gr\_\_\_e period *n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
496. for in\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
497. electrical fu\_\_\_\_\_e *n.* an enclosed chamber for heating metal or glass to very high temperatures
498. a private ind\_\_\_\_\_al *n.* a single person or thing, as distinct from a group
499. ab\_\_\_b a shock *v.* to take in a fluid or other substance gradually

ANSWERS: 491. pineapple, 492. backslide, 493. ultimate, 494. hypocrite, 495. grace, 496. instance, 497. furnace, 498. individual, 499. absorb

500. bo____m relief	<i>n.</i>	a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
501. fl____r enhancer	<i>n.</i>	the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth
502. football po____t	<i>n.</i>	a radio program made available in digital format that you can download from the Internet and play on a computer or music player
503. ack____ge the deed	<i>v.</i>	to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;
504. pa____ic ambulance	<i>n.</i>	a healthcare professional who is trained to provide emergency medical care to patients in the pre-hospital setting, often in ambulances or other emergency vehicles
505. a matter for con____ion	<i>n.</i>	the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another
506. participation aw__d	<i>n.</i>	a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement
507. an or____ry school	<i>adj.</i>	not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

ANSWERS: 500. boredom, 501. flavor, 502. podcast, 503. acknowledge, 504. paramedic, 505. congratulation, 506. award, 507. ordinary

508. detailed exp\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear
509. co\_\_\_r degree *v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something
510. fr\_\_\_y of activity *n.* a state of wild, uncontrolled excitement or activity, often characterized by chaotic or irrational behavior
511. dim\_\_\_\_\_ve figure *adj.* very small or tiny in size; expressing smallness or endearment; (noun) a word or suffix that indicates smallness in size or affection
512. a ma\_\_c spell *n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers
513. re\_\_\_\_\_le these differences *v.* to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist
514. blitz ta\_\_\_\_\_s *n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports
515. c\_\_b appetite *v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

ANSWERS: 508. explanation, 509. confer, 510. frenzy, 511. diminutive, 512. magic, 513. reconcile, 514. tactics, 515. curb

516. res_____le action	<i>adj.</i> answerable or accountable for something within one's power, control, or management
517. emotional ag__y	<i>n.</i> extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense
518. too_____sh stand	<i>n.</i> a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
519. hos_____ty industry	<i>n.</i> the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers
520. am__e everyone	<i>v.</i> to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration
521. pro_____on of disease	<i>n.</i> the act or process of changing to the next stage or phase or moving forward
522. con_____ce as a teacher	<i>n.</i> the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
523. designed spe_____lly for men	<i>adv.</i> only associated with or meant for one thing
524. in_____pt a call	<i>v.</i> to say or do something that causes someone to stop in their speech or action
525. di_____or of my family	<i>n.</i> the lack of honor or respect; a feeling of shame or disgrace
526. risk of ch_____c disease	<i>adj.</i> being long-lasting and recurrent or characterized by long suffering; habitual
527. a photo st___o	<i>n.</i> a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

ANSWERS: 516. responsible, 517. agony, 518. toothbrush, 519. hospitality, 520. amaze, 521. progression, 522. confidence, 523. specifically, 524. interrupt, 525. dishonor, 526. chronic, 527. studio

528. withstand tem\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
529. a ma\_\_\_\_\_ft solution *adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised
530. wor\_\_\_\_\_le investment *adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration
531. pe\_\_\_\_\_al struggle *adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted
532. ac\_\_\_\_\_nt me with business *v.* to cause someone to become aware of or familiar with someone or something
533. alcohol bi\_\_\_e *n.* a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence
534. en\_\_\_\_\_us potential *adj.* extremely large or great
535. pr\_\_\_\_\_le cause of a fire *adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true
536. the re\_\_\_d for good works *n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.
537. sigh of re\_\_\_f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
538. illegal em\_\_\_\_\_er *n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

ANSWERS: 528. temptation, 529. makeshift, 530. worthwhile, 531. perpetual, 532. acquaint, 533. binge, 534. enormous, 535. probable, 536. reward, 537. relief, 538. employer

539. in\_\_\_\_\_re attachment *adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
540. de\_\_\_e a question *v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
541. se\_\_\_\_\_te video into chapter *v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
542. feeling of gu\_\_t *n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong
543. no do\_\_t about the news *n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is
544. ov\_\_\_\_\_me all difficulties *v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
545. fl\_\_es of snow *n.* a small, thin piece or layer of something, often with a flat or irregular shape; a person who is unreliable or inconsistent
546. the morning se\_\_\_\_\_n *n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity
547. sw\_\_p a room with a glance *v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

ANSWERS: 539. insecure, 540. decide, 541. separate, 542. guilt, 543. doubt, 544. overcome, 545. flake, 546. session, 547. sweep

548. a handsome sa\_\_\_y *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
549. high vo\_\_\_e *n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
550. seek vo\_\_\_\_\_ers *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
551. ir\_\_y humor *n.* the expression of one's meaning by using language that usually signifies the opposite, typically for humorous or rhetorical effect
552. de\_\_y a flight three hours *v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected
553. visual c\_e *n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something
554. unproductive sl\_\_\_\_\_r *n.* a person who is lazy or avoids work and responsibilities; someone who lacks motivation or ambition
555. elliptic ga\_\_\_y *n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
556. acc\_\_\_\_\_sh military operations *v.* to finish or achieve something successfully

ANSWERS: 548. salary, 549. volume, 550. volunteer, 551. irony, 552. delay, 553. cue, 554. slacker, 555. galaxy, 556. accomplish



557. ha\_\_\_\_r wheel *n.* a small, furry rodent commonly kept as a pet; often used in research laboratories due to their small size and ease of handling
558. national e\_o *n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one
559. b\_\_p against a wall *v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident
560. re\_\_\_\_on of inclusion *n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
561. perpetuate a m\_\_h *n.* an ancient story or set of stories accepted as history, especially explaining the worldview of a people
562. around the gl\_\_e *n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
563. tax re\_\_\_\_f *n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
564. against tr\_\_\_\_on *n.* a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has been passed down from generation to generation within a group or society
565. dif\_\_\_\_ty in breathing *n.* a condition or state that causes problems
566. transfer de\_\_\_\_ne day *n.* a date or period by which something must be done
567. ev\_\_e a sense of awe *v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind

ANSWERS: 557. hamster, 558. ego, 559. bump, 560. relation, 561. myth, 562. globe, 563. relief, 564. tradition, 565. difficulty, 566. deadline, 567. evoke



579. a chick's tw\_\_t *n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application
580. pre\_\_\_\_\_tor tendencies *n.* (antonym for "procrastinator") a person who tends to complete tasks as soon as possible, often excessively or prematurely; someone who inclines to finish or accomplish tasks far ahead of the deadline or required time
581. buying fr\_\_\_y *n.* a state of wild, uncontrolled excitement or activity, often characterized by chaotic or irrational behavior
582. sp\_\_\_\_\_ic instructions *adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise
583. pl\_\_\_e a dagger through his heart *v.* to dive quickly and steeply downward; to thrust or throw into something; (noun) a steep and rapid fall
584. un\_\_\_\_\_on occurrence *adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare
585. dis\_\_\_\_\_ed by a conversation *adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
586. oil em\_\_\_\_\_o *n.* a ban or restriction on trade, commerce, or travel imposed by one country or group of countries against another as a means of political or economic pressure or punishment
587. co\_\_\_\_\_er relationship *n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization

ANSWERS: 579. tweet, 580. precrastinator, 581. frenzy, 582. specific, 583. plunge, 584. uncommon, 585. distracted, 586. embargo, 587. coworker

588. a cr\_\_y scheme *adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry
589. spray de\_\_\_\_\_nt *n.* a product applied to the body, typically under the arms, that helps to eliminate or mask unpleasant body odor
590. r\_d the body of waste products *v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person
591. Alice's won\_\_\_\_\_nd *n.* a place or situation that is delightful or enchanting, often characterized by a dreamlike or surreal quality; a reference to the fictional world from Lewis Carroll's Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
592. de\_\_\_y safety measures *v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
593. e\_\_t a history book *v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it
594. ou\_\_\_\_\_rt a conspiracy *v.* to defeat or best someone through cleverness, cunning, or intelligence, to prevail over someone by being smarter or more strategic
595. b\_\_n cereal *n.* the outermost layer of cereal grain, such as wheat or rice, which is removed during milling and is often used as animal feed or as a source of dietary fiber for humans; a type of coarse, fibrous substance that remains as a residue or byproduct in various industrial processes, such as oil extraction or papermaking

ANSWERS: 588. crazy, 589. deodorant, 590. rid, 591. wonderland, 592. deploy, 593. edit, 594. outsmart, 595. bran

596. issue a w\_\_t *n.* a written legal order or command
597. env\_\_\_\_\_nt affairs *n.* the natural world such as air, water, and land in which humans, animals, and plants live
598. my vo\_\_\_\_\_er work *n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
599. pr\_\_\_\_\_im victory *v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
600. too\_\_\_\_\_te tube *n.* a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath
601. ar\_\_\_\_\_ry size and shape *adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
602. acc\_\_\_\_\_te evidence *v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time
603. the mil\_\_\_\_\_al reign *adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y
604. con\_\_\_\_\_te a large sum of money to the fund *v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people
605. bi\_\_e on social media *n.* a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence
606. con\_\_\_\_\_ion in English *n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

ANSWERS: 596. writ, 597. environment, 598. volunteer, 599. proclaim, 600. toothpaste, 601. arbitrary, 602. accumulate, 603. millennial, 604. contribute, 605. binge, 606. conversation

607. em\_\_\_\_\_ss my project      *v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed
608. sa\_\_\_y after taxes      *n.* a fixed amount of money that employees, especially those who work in an office, receive for doing their job, usually paid every month
609. many tem\_\_\_\_\_ons      *n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire
610. bu\_\_\_w into a mystery      *v.* to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
611. the ar\_\_\_\_\_ry rule of a dictator      *adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
612. wi\_\_\_\_\_re spread      *n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope
613. in\_\_\_\_\_ng atmosphere      *adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate
614. regional au\_\_\_\_\_my      *n.* the right of an organization, country, or region to govern itself independently
615. a geometric pr\_\_f      *n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists
616. s\_\_r up controversy      *v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused

ANSWERS: 607. embarrass, 608. salary, 609. temptation, 610. burrow, 611. arbitrary, 612. wildfire, 613. inviting, 614. autonomy, 615. proof, 616. stir

617. 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
618. ancient man\_\_\_\_\_pt *n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed
619. unintended con\_\_\_\_\_ces *n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
620. mistaken id\_\_\_\_\_ty *n.* the fact of being who or what somebody or something is; the features, emotions, or ideas that distinguish persons from one another
621. a n\_\_t piece of work *adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
622. get dis\_\_\_\_\_ed by an urgent matter *adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried
623. cultural n\_\_m *n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard
624. a b\_\_d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
625. a glad oc\_\_\_\_\_on *n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
626. sn\_\_k a cigarette *v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily

ANSWERS: 617. myth, 618. manuscript, 619. consequence, 620. identity, 621. neat, 622. distracted, 623. norm, 624. bold, 625. occasion, 626. sneak

627. pr\_\_\_\_s improvement *n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products
628. na\_\_l base *adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy
629. a ra\_\_\_m choice *adj.* made, done, or happening without method, conscious decision, or any regular pattern
630. the de\_\_\_\_ne for applications *n.* a date or period by which something must be done
631. boost my con\_\_\_\_\_ce *n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
632. re\_\_\_\_ne customer experience *v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
633. an\_\_\_\_\_ce candidacy *v.* to make something known or officially inform people about something
634. dim\_\_\_\_\_ve size *adj.* very small or tiny in size; expressing smallness or endearment; (noun) a word or suffix that indicates smallness in size or affection
635. ur\_\_\_\_y in the use of force *n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately

ANSWERS: 627. process, 628. naval, 629. random, 630. deadline, 631. confidence, 632. redefine, 633. announce, 634. diminutive, 635. urgency



636. a re\_\_\_\_\_nt of a lung transplant      *n.* a person who receives something
637. with unp\_\_\_\_\_nt body odor      *adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable
638. sound very te\_\_\_\_\_ng      *adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe
639. br\_\_\_\_e a website      *v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants
640. man\_\_\_\_\_pt of a book      *n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed
641. in a sen\_\_\_\_\_al mood      *adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism
642. a w\_\_t of summons      *n.* a written legal order or command
643. dem\_\_\_\_\_ion project      *n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
644. l\_\_m on the horizon      *v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
645. beg for for\_\_\_\_\_ss      *n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion
646. pr\_\_\_\_\_e the amendment      *v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something
647. el\_\_\_\_t a confession      *v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty

ANSWERS: 636. recipient, 637. unpleasant, 638. tempting, 639. browse, 640. manuscript, 641. sentimental, 642. writ, 643. demonstration, 644. loom, 645. forgiveness, 646. propose, 647. elicit

648. save the pl\_\_\_t *n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star
649. Chinese cl\_\_\_\_c literature *adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
650. get inc\_\_\_\_\_ly insecure *adv.* in a way that is very difficult to believe; exceedingly or extremely
651. all ability to mo\_\_\_\_\_te *v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort
652. former co\_\_\_\_\_ue *n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business
653. ex\_\_\_e the crowd *v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager
654. br\_\_\_\_\_nt performance *adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
655. re\_\_\_\_\_e stress *v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe
656. te\_\_\_\_\_nt to the superior quality *n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else
657. opp\_\_\_\_\_on campaign *n.* the act of disagreeing or resisting; the state of strong disagreement
658. psy\_\_\_\_\_gy experiment *n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

ANSWERS: 648. planet, 649. classic, 650. incredibly, 651. motivate, 652. colleague, 653. excite, 654. brilliant, 655. relieve, 656. testament, 657. opposition, 658. psychology

## Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. This country \_\_\_\_\_ its weapons in the east region.  
*v.* to move troops or weapons into a position or military action; to bring into something in an effective way
  
2. The hotel is known for its exceptional \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers
  
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ temperature recorded this summer was higher than average.  
*adj.* the largest or greatest amount or value attainable or attained
  
4. 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
  
5. Having a consistent sleep schedule is important for maintaining a healthy \_\_\_\_\_ rhythm.  
*adj.* relating to a physiological cycle that lasts approximately 24 hours, impacting physical and behavioral changes that occur over the course of a day, such as sleep-wake cycles or fluctuations in hormones
  
6. 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
  
7. It was \_\_\_\_\_ for the store to have such a big sale.  
*adj.* not occurring or seen very often; rare

ANSWERS: 1. deployed, 2. hospitality, 3. maximum, 4. episode, 5. circadian, 6. frame, 7. uncommon

8. His \_\_\_\_\_ showed highly positive results.  
*n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
9. It's common to \_\_\_\_\_ in efforts to quit smoking, but it's important to keep trying.  
*v.* to regress or slip back into a previous, less favorable state or condition; to relapse or backtrack, particularly with regards to progress made towards a goal or recovery from addiction or illness
10. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ the aspect of his personality from the part of his competence when making an investment decision.  
*v.* to force, take, or pull apart; mark as different
11. The leader \_\_\_\_\_ a state of emergency in the country.  
*v.* to announce or state something publicly and forcefully
12. The more \_\_\_\_\_ you are, the more people around you look at you with envy and jealousy.  
*adj.* extremely clever, skilled, or impressive
13. I love to eat fresh \_\_\_\_\_ in my fruit salad.  
*n.* tropical fruit with a rough, spiky exterior and sweet, juicy flesh inside, often used in cooking, baking, or as a snack
14. His actions brought \_\_\_\_\_ to the family, and he was disowned.  
*n.* the lack of honor or respect; a feeling of shame or disgrace
15. The marketing team developed new \_\_\_\_\_ to boost sales.  
*n.* the methods or strategies used to achieve a specific goal or outcome, particularly in the context of military, business, or sports

ANSWERS: 8. experiments, 9. backslide, 10. separate, 11. proclaimed, 12. brilliant, 13. pineapple, 14. dishonor, 15. tactics

16. My \_\_\_\_\_ eater only likes to eat certain types of vegetables.

*adj.* overly particular or selective, especially about food or other consumable goods; difficult to please or satisfy because of one's specific tastes or preferences

17. Researchers often succumb to the \_\_\_\_\_ of accolades and commit research misconduct.

*n.* the desire to do or have something that you know you should not do or have; the act of influencing by exciting hope or desire

18. This laptop has a \_\_\_\_\_ processor, making it fast and efficient.

*adj.* having two parts, aspects, or elements

19. Sometimes it is challenging to \_\_\_\_\_ science and religion.

*v.* to find a way of dealing with two or more ideas, needs, etc. that are opposed to each other to agree and coexist

20. She works at a recording \_\_\_\_\_ in Los Angeles.

*n.* a room or building where creative or artistic work is produced; a television or radio production company

21. I will go to the \_\_\_\_\_ store to buy food for dinner.

*n.* a shop that sells food and other household items

22. The sponge \_\_\_\_\_ water well.

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

23. 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

ANSWERS: 16. picky, 17. temptation, 18. dual-core, 19. reconcile, 20. studio, 21. grocery, 22. absorbs, 23. progression

24. Public cloud computing should provide a secure \_\_\_\_\_ against hackers.
- n.* (in computing) a technological barrier designed to stop people from seeing or using the information on a computer without permission but still allow them to receive information that is sent to them
25. This movie \_\_\_\_\_ at everyone's heartstrings.
- v.* to pull something quickly and hard, often several times
26. The athlete fell to the ground in \_\_\_\_\_ after injuring their ankle.
- n.* extreme physical or mental pain or suffering, often prolonged or intense
27. I need to do the \_\_\_\_\_ before I run out of clean clothes.
- n.* the act of washing clothes and linens; a room or area where clothes are washed and ironed
28. She stayed up all night \_\_\_\_\_ her favorite TV show.
- n.* a period of excessive or uncontrolled consumption, often of food or alcohol; a spree or bout of reckless behavior or indulgence
29. She wore her best dress for the special \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a time or event that is suitable or appropriate for something to happen or be done; a particular event or circumstance that requires or allows for something to be done
30. Topics related to that war may \_\_\_\_\_ up a political hornets' nest.
- v.* to mix a liquid or substance by using a spoon or something similar; to cause to be agitated, excited, or roused
31. She worked very hard not to \_\_\_\_\_ her boss's expectations.
- v.* to fail to meet someone or their hopes or expectations; to make someone feel sad

ANSWERS: 24. firewall, 25. tugs, 26. agony, 27. laundry, 28. binge-watching, 29. occasion, 30. stir, 31. disappoint

32. When performing an organ transplant, it is necessary to test for compatibility between the donor and \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a person who receives something
33. The shoppers were \_\_\_\_\_ to get the best deals on Black Friday.
- n.* a state of wild, uncontrolled excitement or activity, often characterized by chaotic or irrational behavior
34. They are planning to \_\_\_\_\_ the house after the fire.
- v.* to build again or anew
35. The robot can accurately \_\_\_\_\_ construction material.
- v.* to specify or determine the exact position of someone or something
36. Children in an unstructured environment often feel \_\_\_\_\_.
- adj.* not firm or firmly fixed; likely to fail or give way, or not assured of safety
37. She increased her \_\_\_\_\_ by planning out her tasks for the day.
- n.* the state or quality of being productive; the rate at which a company or individual produces goods or services, often measured in terms of output per unit of input, such as labor, capital, or time
38. The new washing machine is much more \_\_\_\_\_ than the old one.
- adj.* performing at the highest level of productivity with the least wasted effort or resources; capable of achieving maximum output with minimum wasted effort, time, or materials
39. Advocates for legal reform hear less harsh words from their \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* someone who expresses opinions about the quality of books, music, etc.

ANSWERS: 32. recipient, 33. frenzy, 34. rebuild, 35. locate, 36. insecure, 37. productivity, 38. efficient, 39. critics

40. She kept \_\_\_\_\_ for an ambulance.

- v.* to give a loud, high shout suddenly, especially because of fear, anger, excitement, etc.; to utter or declare in a very loud voice

41. He tried to \_\_\_\_ his anger during the argument with his friend.

- v.* to restrain, limit, or control something; to reduce or put a stop to something undesirable; (noun) the raised edge or barrier along the edge of a street, road, or sidewalk

42. The team's \_\_\_\_\_ attitude towards deadlines caused the project to fall behind schedule.

- adj.* lacking in tension or firmness; loose or not tight; having a relaxed or lazy attitude

43. The widow of a deceased writer discovered an incomplete novel \_\_\_\_\_ in his room.

- n.* the original copy of a book, piece of music, etc. before it is printed

44. The presidential \_\_\_\_\_ is the most luxurious room in the hotel.

- n.* a set of rooms designated for a particular purpose or activity, especially a set of rooms in a hotel or private residence used as a living unit; a musical composition of several movements only loosely connected; the group following and attending to some important person

45. The golfer recorded an \_\_\_\_\_ distance.

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

46. The \_\_\_\_\_ aroma of freshly baked bread drew me into the bakery.

- adj.* having an attractive or tempting quality that draws people in; encouraging or alluring in a way that makes people want to take part or participate

ANSWERS: 40. screaming, 41. curb, 42. slack, 43. manuscript, 44. suite, 45. amazing, 46. inviting



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

*n.* the scientific study of mind and behavior

48. The rain and thunder are \_\_\_\_\_ today.

*adj.* stupid or not sensible; very angry

49. The leaders of the two countries met to \_\_\_\_\_ on the issue.

*v.* to have a meeting or discussion to come to a decision or agreement or exchange ideas; to bestow something

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

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

51. 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

52. He beat out a jazz \_\_\_\_\_ on the cajones.

*n.* a strong regular repeated pattern of sounds, words, or musical notes that are used in music, poetry, and dancing

53. The scientist conducted a study that provided \_\_\_\_\_ details about the species' behavior.

*adj.* clearly defined or particular to a certain thing or situation; distinct, explicit, and precise

54. Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ me while I'm studying.

*v.* to draw someone's attention away from what they are trying to do

ANSWERS: 47. psychology, 48. crazy, 49. confer, 50. grief, 51. responsible, 52. rhythm, 53. specific, 54. distract

55. The mobile application industry is \_\_\_\_\_ changing.

*adv.* all the time

56. I was so \_\_\_\_\_ by my phone that I nearly walked into a lamppost.

*adj.* having one's attention diverted or divided; being unable to concentrate because of being preoccupied or worried

57. The meeting aims to \_\_\_\_\_ possible choices.

*v.* to assess or estimate the quality, significance, quantity, or value of something

58. In times of recession, an increase in unemployment is \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* certain to happen and unavoidable

59. The patient was diagnosed with a rare genetic \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a group of signs and symptoms that occur together and are characteristic of a particular condition or disorder

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

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

61. The actor's performance in the play earned her widespread \_\_\_\_\_ from the theater community.

*n.* praise or admiration that is expressed publicly; (verb) to praise or admire someone or something publicly

62. He performed \_\_\_\_\_ tricks with sophisticated moves.

*n.* beliefs and actions employed to influence supernatural beings and forces; any art or performance that invokes supernatural powers

ANSWERS: 55. constantly, 56. distracted, 57. evaluate, 58. inevitable, 59. syndrome, 60. random, 61. acclaim, 62. magic

63. The colorful garden was a \_\_\_\_\_ of various plants and flowers.
- n.* a place or situation that is delightful or enchanting, often characterized by a dreamlike or surreal quality; a reference to the fictional world from Lewis Carroll's Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
64. Volunteering for a \_\_\_\_\_ cause is important for building a sense of community.
- adj.* having value or benefit; sufficiently important or beneficial to be worthy of time or effort; deserving of attention or consideration
65. What do you \_\_\_\_\_ the culprit's motive was?
- v.* to think that something is likely to be actual or possible
66. The old oak tree stood with \_\_\_\_\_ and majesty in the park's center.
- n.* a quality of being pleasing, especially in appearance or manner; a temporary exemption, especially an extended period granted as a special favor; a short prayer of thanks before a meal
67. Please \_\_\_\_\_ to the instruction manual for further assistance.
- v.* to direct someone's attention, thoughts, or questions to another source or person; to mention, cite, or allude to something as evidence or support
68. Please write to \_\_\_\_\_ your reservation.
- v.* to support or establish the truth or certainty of something previously believed or suspected to be the case
69. \_\_\_\_\_ is the start, not the end, of intelligence.
- n.* a feeling of being uncertain about something, especially about how good or accurate it is

ANSWERS: 63. wonderland, 64. worthwhile, 65. suppose, 66. grace, 67. refer, 68. confirm, 69. Doubt

70. 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

71. The witness's testimony was \_\_\_\_\_ based on what he had seen and heard.

- adv.* believed to be true or likely based on the available evidence, or supposed to be the case without definite proof

72. She has taken a step up in the organizational \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a system in which people or things are organized into different levels of importance from highest to lowest

73. The magician's tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the audience.

- v.* to fill with wonder, surprise, or admiration

74. The director gave the actor a \_\_\_\_ to begin the scene.

- n.* a signal, gesture, or action that provides information or direction for someone else to act or respond; a reminder or prompt for someone to do something

75. I stayed up until \_\_\_\_\_ watching my favorite movie.

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

76. The instructions provided were \_\_\_\_\_ and confused the team.

- adj.* open to more than one interpretation; not clear or decided

77. The disease has \_\_\_\_\_ all his energy, and he can barely get out of bed.

- v.* to gradually weaken or drain strength, energy, or resources; to undermine or impair someone's confidence or morale

ANSWERS: 70. degree, 71. presumably, 72. hierarchy, 73. amazed, 74. cue, 75. midnight, 76. ambiguous, 77. sapped

78. To advance this discussion, we must \_\_\_\_\_ "success" rigorously.  
*v.* to state or explain precisely the nature, scope, or meaning of something
79. The \_\_\_\_\_ occasionally preaches at this church.  
*n.* a person appointed to or a job of a head of a government department
80. He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ a bad reputation and win the election.  
*v.* to succeed in controlling or dealing with something, such as a problem or difficulty; to defeat or overwhelm someone
81. She was \_\_\_\_\_ about her friend's intentions.  
*adj.* not being sure of something; not being able to choose
82. The teachers make full use of \_\_\_\_\_ assistance.  
*n.* a person who performs or offers to perform a job or service without being paid for or forced to do
83. He displayed the \_\_\_\_\_ symptoms of depression.  
*adj.* judged or deserving to be regarded as one of the best or most important of its kind over a period of time; of a well-known type
84. This region has many \_\_\_\_\_ offering higher education.  
*n.* an organization that has a specific purpose, particularly one dealing with science, education, or a particular profession; (verb) to initiate, introduce, or establish something
85. The boss was frustrated with the \_\_\_\_\_ employees who needed to catch up on their work.  
*n.* a person who is lazy or avoids work and responsibilities; someone who lacks motivation or ambition

ANSWERS: 78. define, 79. minister, 80. overcome, 81. uncertain, 82. volunteer, 83. classic, 84. institutes, 85. slacker

86. The cave was a habitat for \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a nocturnal animal with wings that flies and feeds at night, similar to a mouse; a piece of wood with a handle used for hitting the ball in sports including baseball, cricket, and table tennis
87. Our company \_\_\_\_\_ numerous disabled athletes.  
*v.* to provide funds for a particular event, program, individual, etc. as a way of advertising
88. So far, the meeting is going according to \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a list of planned activities, tasks, or things that must be completed showing when they are intended to happen or be done
89. The Milky Way \_\_\_\_\_ has numerous water-bearing planets.  
*n.* an independent group of stars, interstellar gas, dark matter, etc., in the universe, bound together by gravity
90. The children tried to \_\_\_\_\_ out and eat the candy.  
*v.* to go somewhere, or take someone or something somewhere secretly or stealthily; to steal or do something secretly or stealthily
91. Our \_\_\_\_\_ was the most downloaded in the technology news genre this year.  
*n.* a radio program made available in digital format that you can download from the Internet and play on a computer or music player
92. Ghosts in folk \_\_\_\_\_ are almost always malicious.  
*n.* a story made up in someone's imagination, especially one full of action and adventure
93. The rise of \_\_\_\_\_ has led to an increase in wastefulness and environmental damage.  
*n.* a cultural and economic ideology that places a high value on the consumption and acquisition of goods and services, often associating personal identity or success with material possessions

ANSWERS: 86. bats, 87. sponsors, 88. schedule, 89. galaxy, 90. sneak, 91. podcast,

92. tales, 93. consumerism

94. He grew up in the \_\_\_\_\_ but always dreamed of living in the city.  
*n.* an outlying district or residential area of a city or town, typically comprising middle-class and affluent neighborhoods
95. 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
96. Shakespeare's output of poetry was \_\_\_\_\_.  
*adj.* extremely large or great
97. The issue of divorce \_\_\_\_\_ large in his mind.  
*v.* to appear or take shape as a large, especially in a frightening way
98. You can't \_\_\_\_\_ through solid metal.  
*v.* to excavate a hole or make a tunnel in the ground by digging, typically for use as a dwelling of an animal
99. The industrial \_\_\_\_\_ laws were passed with little to no alteration.  
*n.* the way two persons or groups of people feel and act toward one another
100. The \_\_\_\_\_ team worked together efficiently to stabilize the patient's vital signs.  
*n.* a healthcare professional who is trained to provide emergency medical care to patients in the pre-hospital setting, often in ambulances or other emergency vehicles
101. He made a \_\_\_\_\_ mistake and forgot to submit the report on time.  
*adj.* lacking the power of speech, unable to speak; stupid, or lacking intelligence

ANSWERS: 94. suburbs, 95. pursue, 96. enormous, 97. loomed, 98. burrow, 99. relations, 100. paramedic, 101. dumb



102. The \_\_\_\_\_ officer was responsible for the safety and well-being of the crew on his ship.

*adj.* of or relating to ships, sailors, or the navy

103. No matter what, we must have this done before the \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a date or period by which something must be done

104. He quickly learned the military \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the practice of training people to obey rules or a code of behavior, using and punishments if these are broken; a region of activity, knowledge, or influence

105. It can be difficult to \_\_\_\_\_ work, family, and social life, but finding balance is important.

*v.* to manage or cope with several tasks, responsibilities, or situations simultaneously; to keep several things in the air at once, as in a juggling act

106. He could \_\_\_\_\_ his opponents with his quick thinking and clever strategy.

*v.* to defeat or overcome someone cleverly or cunningly by outsmarting them; to be more clever or cunning than someone else

107. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the coffee was rich and full-bodied.

*n.* the taste sensation produced by a substance in the mouth

108. I chose to \_\_\_\_\_ cancer by trying every possible treatment.

*v.* to refuse to accept something and attempt to prevent it from happening

109. 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: 102. naval, 103. deadline, 104. discipline, 105. juggle, 106. outwit, 107. flavor, 108. resist, 109. myth

110. I always use mint-flavored \_\_\_\_\_ to refresh my mouth in the morning and at night.

*n.* a paste or gel used for cleaning the teeth and freshening the breath

111. We could hear the \_\_\_\_\_ of baby birds.

*n.* a short, high sound made by a small bird; a message sent using Twitter, the social media application

112. We must manage to \_\_\_\_\_ our expenditure.

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

113. With strong \_\_\_\_\_ and determination, he could quit smoking for good.

*n.* the control exerted to do something or restrain impulses

114. He created a beautiful piece of music using only \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the act of making something up on the spot or creating or performing something without preparation

115. The strict \_\_\_\_\_ ruled in favor of the plaintiff in the case.

*n.* a person who makes decisions in a court of law; (verb) to determine the result of or form a critical opinion of something

116. We dealt with those problems with speed and \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the quality of changing or being changed easily according to new conditions or situations

117. The magic tricks \_\_\_\_\_ the children.

*v.* to attract and hold the attention of someone deeply and irresistibly

ANSWERS: 110. toothpaste, 111. tweet, 112. regulate, 113. willpower, 114. improvisation, 115. judge, 116. flexibility, 117. fascinated

118. The video telephony application has \_\_\_\_\_ the way we work.  
*v.* to change the meaning or interpretation of something; to make people think about something in a new or different way
119. The \_\_\_\_\_ announcing an enemy attack went off this morning.  
*n.* a loud noise or an automatic signal that warns people of danger; a device that signals the occurrence of some undesirable event or particular danger
120. The results of the two experiments were in \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the letters, emails, etc., especially official or business ones; the quality or state of being the same in amount, number, status
121. \_\_\_\_\_ elections were held in several European countries.  
*adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
122. The company's profits \_\_\_\_\_ after the recall of their new product.  
*v.* to dive quickly and steeply downward; to thrust or throw into something; (noun) a steep and rapid fall
123. 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
124. She would never \_\_\_\_\_ hurt anyone.  
*adv.* in a planned or intended way
125. He won the \_\_\_\_\_ for best actor at the film festival.  
*n.* a prize or other mark of recognition given in honor of an achievement

ANSWERS: 118. redefined, 119. alarm, 120. correspondence, 121. Communal, 122. plunged, 123. individual, 124. intentionally, 125. award

126. The news of her promotion \_\_\_\_\_ her.

*v.* to make someone feel suddenly enthusiastic or eager

127. 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

128. He never \_\_\_\_\_ his fault.

*v.* to accept or admit the existence, reality, or truth of something; to accept that someone or something has a particular authority or quality; to express obligation, thanks, or gratitude for someone's help, commitment, etc.;

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

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

130. I want to \_\_\_\_\_ a toast in honor of our longstanding relationship.

*v.* to make a proposal, declare a plan for something

131. I recently \_\_\_\_\_ myself with a new coworker by introducing myself and chatting with her for a few minutes.

*v.* to cause someone to become aware of or familiar with someone or something

132. In a democracy, it is necessary to monitor the judiciary to see if it is making \_\_\_\_\_ decisions.

*adj.* not giving equal treatment or opportunities to people involved; marked by injustice, partiality, or deception

133. He was served with a \_\_\_\_\_ of eviction, giving him the notice to vacate the property.

*n.* a written legal order or command

ANSWERS: 126. excited, 127. identity, 128. acknowledged, 129. opposition, 130. propose, 131. acquainted, 132. unfair, 133. writ

134. The \_\_\_\_\_ storm caused massive flooding in the town and destroyed many houses.  
*adj.* causing horror, shock, or a feeling of extreme disgust; extremely unpleasant or terrifying
135. This ad campaign is aimed \_\_\_\_\_ at young women.  
*adv.* only associated with or meant for one thing
136. He collected data to avoid \_\_\_\_\_ decisions.  
*adj.* based on chance, or individual whim rather than any reason
137. He was given \_\_\_\_\_ for his outstanding work in the field of medicine.  
*n.* the action or process of recognizing or being recognized, especially by remembering; an agreement that something is true or legal
138. The company's new \_\_\_\_\_ on remote work has made it a more inclusive workplace.  
*n.* a set of rules, guidelines, principles, or procedures that govern decision-making or action, often used in the context of business or government; a course of action or plan of action adopted or followed by an organization or individual to achieve a goal or objective
139. His final goal is to sail around the \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the earth or world, mainly used to emphasize its vastness
140. Her \_\_\_\_\_ is to be a mother.  
*n.* something that is more important than other things and should be dealt with first
141. Due to inclement weather, the game has been \_\_\_\_\_ until next week.  
*v.* to delay or reschedule something to a later time or date

ANSWERS: 134. horrendous, 135. specifically, 136. arbitrary, 137. recognition, 138. policy, 139. globe, 140. priority, 141. postponed

142. Many employers hire \_\_\_\_\_ trainees to train as managers.

*n.* a person who has a first degree from university or college; (verb) to complete the first course of university or college and get a degree

143. He \_\_\_\_\_ pieces of rope out of straw.

*v.* to bend or turn something into a certain shape

144. His business \_\_\_\_\_ took him to the United States.

*n.* a promise or firm decision to do something or to behave in a certain way

145. People can clone a sheep \_\_\_\_\_.

*adv.* at the current time, in comparison to the past

146. She was constantly trying to boost her \_\_\_\_ by talking about her accomplishments.

*n.* a consciousness of your own identity; a person's sense of self-esteem or self-importance, especially inflated one

147. Mercury is the closest \_\_\_\_\_ to the sun.

*n.* any of the nine large celestial bodies that circle in the solar system; any celestial body that revolves around a star

148. Our company must continue to strive for greater \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the state or quality of doing something well with no waste of input such as time or money

149. All the supervisor has to do is assign tasks that make his subordinates more \_\_\_\_\_.

*adj.* relating to or involving the use of skill and original and unusual ideas to create something

ANSWERS: 142. graduate, 143. twisted, 144. commitments, 145. nowadays, 146. ego, 147. planet, 148. efficiency, 149. creative

150. The teacher asked the student to \_\_\_\_\_ the essay as part of the revision process
- v.* to examine written material and mark any errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation, or formatting; to read carefully and correct errors
151. The government established by the coup was more \_\_\_\_\_ than before.
- adj.* relating to the essential aspects of anything; far beyond the norm, mainly used of opinions and actions
152. The system is still so \_\_\_\_\_ that it is useless.
- adj.* lacking the ability or skill and not making the best use of time, money, energy, etc.
153. The company employs a \_\_\_\_\_ inventory system.
- adj.* continuing for an extended period in the same way without stopping or being interrupted
154. She has \_\_\_\_\_ habits.
- adj.* clean or tidy, with everything in its place
155. This container has a \_\_\_\_\_ of 10 cubic meters.
- n.* the amount of space occupied by an object or substance; the magnitude of sound
156. This typhoon was the most \_\_\_\_\_ in years.
- adj.* causing a great deal of destruction or damage
157. He has \_\_\_\_\_ his wealth through real estate investments.
- v.* to collect or acquire a large number of things over a long period of time

ANSWERS: 150. proofread, 151. radical, 152. inefficient, 153. perpetual, 154. neat, 155. volume, 156. devastating, 157. accumulated

158. The \_\_\_\_\_ handbook outlines the rules and regulations that all employees must follow.

*n.* a person who is hired to work for a business or organization in exchange for wages or salary; a worker

159. He has a flair for \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* the science dealing with the logic of quantities, shapes, spaces, and arrangement

160. When I was a child, my mother often cast \_\_\_\_\_ spells to ease my pain whenever I was injured.

*adj.* produced by or containing supernatural powers

161. She waited for her daughter with \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* a feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease about something that is happening or might happen in the future

162. Some \_\_\_\_\_ are common across cultures and backgrounds.

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

163. He looked for an opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ that actor in public.

*v.* to cause someone to feel awkward, worried, or ashamed

164. The ability to \_\_\_\_\_ people is a priceless asset.

*v.* to make someone want to do something, especially something that requires tremendous work and effort

165. The systems we have developed has accepted as industry \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* something that is regarded as usual, typical, or standard

ANSWERS: 158. employee, 159. mathematics, 160. magical, 161. anxiety, 162. emotions, 163. embarrass, 164. motivate, 165. norms



166. The enemy fell right into the \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a piece of equipment or hole for catching animals or people; (verb) to catch animals or people and prevent them from escaping

167. Government workers cannot \_\_\_\_\_ to political campaigns.

- v.* to give something, especially money or goods, to provide or achieve something together with other people

168. She had to \_\_\_\_\_ to the nearest gas station when her car broke down.

- v.* to obtain a ride in a passing vehicle by signaling to the driver or waving one's thumb; to travel by getting a free ride in someone else's vehicle

169. Though his plan sounded \_\_\_\_\_ at first, he realized it anyway.

- adj.* (of an idea or story) so exaggerated or ludicrous as to be very difficult to believe

170. The older man \_\_\_\_\_ from arthritis and finds it difficult to move around.

- v.* to experience pain, distress, or hardship; to undergo or endure something painful or unpleasant

171. We must \_\_\_\_ ourselves of pollution.

- v.* to make someone or something free of unwanted or unpleasant tasks, objects, or person

172. The following \_\_\_\_\_ is currently being used to explain the phenomenon in question.

- n.* the information or arguments that someone provides to make something understandable or clear

173. \_\_\_\_\_ is better than argument.

- n.* a fact or piece of information that shows something is true or exists

ANSWERS: 166. trap, 167. contribute, 168. hitchhike, 169. far-fetched, 170. suffers, 171. rid, 172. explanation, 173. Proof

174. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ 123321 by eleven?

*v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups

175. An \_\_\_\_\_ attitude toward its employees significantly impacts their productivity.

*n.* a person or organization that pays workers to work for them

176. His \_\_\_\_\_ on the effects of climate change won several awards.

*n.* a written essay, especially one submitted for a university degree, that sets out the author's findings on a particular subject

177. The extra steps in the process were deemed \_\_\_\_\_ and removed to streamline production.

*adj.* not needed or required; not essential or important

178. 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

179. We can resolve support requests quickly and \_\_\_\_\_ by utilization of AI.

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

180. We \_\_\_\_\_ heavy snowfall tomorrow.

*v.* to expect or predict that something will happen; to tell in advance

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

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

ANSWERS: 174. divide, 175. employer's, 176. thesis, 177. unnecessary, 178. environment, 179. efficiently, 180. anticipate, 181. scroll

182. 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

183. We bought a Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ book.

- n.* a group of words that mean something specific when used together

184. Parliament is now in \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a formal meeting or series of meetings for the execution of a particular group's functions; a period spent doing a particular activity

185. The pilot tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the customers that the planes were safe.

- v.* to cause someone to feel sure; to give or restore confidence

186. Night fishing has a lot of \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* a thing given in acknowledgment of service, hard work, achievement, etc.

187. These gas nebulas are merely newborn galactic \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the most essential or fundamental part of something

188. Your \_\_\_\_\_ reflects your thoughts.

- n.* an informal talk between two or more people to exchange their views, ideas, information, etc.

189. It is more \_\_\_\_\_ to wash your plastic bottle and reuse it.

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

190. He gained debt \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the act of stopping feeling angry or resentful towards someone for a mistake or offense with compassion

ANSWERS: 182. retail, 183. phrase, 184. session, 185. reassure, 186. rewards, 187. cores, 188. conversation, 189. economical, 190. forgiveness

191. The \_\_\_\_\_ on trade with the neighboring countries severely impacted the local economy.

- n.* a ban or restriction on trade, commerce, or travel imposed by one country or group of countries against another as a means of political or economic pressure or punishment

192. The \_\_\_\_\_ for applying for a visa can be lengthy and complicated.

- n.* a series of actions or operations performed to achieve a particular outcome or goal; a systematic procedure or approach used to accomplish a specific task or objective; a method of treating milk to make it suitable for consumption or use in other dairy products

193. I need to clear out some of the \_\_\_\_\_ in my garage.

- n.* discarded or unused material or objects, often considered worthless or of little value; also used to describe cheap or poorly made items or food that is high in calories but lacking in nutrition

194. My ex-\_\_\_\_\_ and I had different working styles but managed to get along.

- n.* a person who works with another in the same company or organization

195. 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

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

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

197. 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

ANSWERS: 191. embargo, 192. process, 193. junk, 194. coworker, 195. vision, 196. interrupted, 197. struggle

198. The medicine \_\_\_\_\_ his headache, and he felt much better.

*v.* to make something burdensome, unpleasant, or painful less severe

199. It seems \_\_\_\_\_ that he has forgotten our scheduled meeting.

*adj.* likely to happen or likely to be true

200. The company signed a \_\_\_\_\_ with the supplier for the delivery of goods.

*n.* a legally binding agreement between two or more parties, setting out their rights and obligations to each other, typically in writing and enforceable by law

201. I am \_\_\_\_\_ opposed to his idea because of morality.

*adv.* without restriction or limitation; completely or utterly

202. It is important to \_\_\_\_\_ safety procedures in the workplace to prevent accidents.

*v.* to watch or notice something carefully, often to gather information or insights; to take note of something or someone; to celebrate or commemorate a special event or occasion

203. The company's new products \_\_\_\_\_ the values of innovation and sustainability.

*v.* to represent or exemplify something; to give tangible form to an abstract idea

204. The Chinese people have accomplished several \_\_\_\_\_ feats.

*adj.* famous or significant in history, or potentially so

205. The phone call is an \_\_\_\_\_ interruption.

*adj.* making someone feel slightly angry

206. There was no \_\_\_\_\_ between their proposals.

*v.* to partially cover something by going beyond its edge

ANSWERS: 198. relieved, 199. probable, 200. contract, 201. absolutely, 202. observe, 203. embody, 204. historic, 205. annoying, 206. overlap

207. I like to \_\_\_\_\_ my grapes when making homemade wine.

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

208. The fisherman lived in a small \_\_\_\_\_ by the lake.

- n.* a small, often rundown dwelling or house, typically one that is poorly constructed or maintained

209. Several cities are experiencing \_\_\_\_\_ high unemployment rates.

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

210. She accidentally \_\_\_\_\_ into him in the crowded room.

- v.* to hit or knock against something hard, often with a dull sound; to meet with by accident

211. His wealth is a \_\_\_\_\_ to his success.

- n.* a thing that proves the existence or truth of something else

212. His gaffe spoiled the \_\_\_\_\_ of the dinner party.

- n.* the way you feel at a particular time; an angry or impatient state of mind

213. The \_\_\_\_\_ ordered the troops to fire.

- n.* the leader of a group of people, especially who is in charge of a ship or aircraft

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

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

215. The \_\_\_\_\_ risotto was delicious, but I couldn't identify all the mushrooms in it.

- n.* a type of fungus that grows on dead or decaying organic matter and typically has a stalk and an umbrella-shaped cap

ANSWERS: 207. squash, 208. shack, 209. incredibly, 210. bumped, 211. testament, 212. mood, 213. captain, 214. procrastinated, 215. mushroom

216. I need to buy a new coat \_\_\_\_\_ to organize my winter jackets.

- n.* a framework or support structure used to hold or display objects; a set of interconnected shelves or compartments used for storage; a source of torture, distress, or mental anguish

217. The \_\_\_\_\_ destroyed hundreds of homes and forced thousands of people to evacuate.

- n.* a large, uncontrolled fire that spreads quickly through a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or mountain slope

218. His \_\_\_\_\_ behavior at the party made everyone uncomfortable.

- adj.* extremely unpleasant or offensive; annoying or irritating to the point of causing discomfort or harm

219. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ this document before submitting it to my boss.

- v.* to prepare written material for publication by correcting, condensing, or otherwise modifying it

220. Capitalism guarantees the right of ownership of personal \_\_\_\_\_.

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

221. He suffered from job \_\_\_\_\_ because of hard work.

- n.* the state of being exceedingly exhausted or unwell, either physically or mentally, as a result of overworking

222. 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

ANSWERS: 216. rack, 217. wildfire, 218. obnoxious, 219. edit, 220. fortune, 221. burnout, 222. tradition

223. Demonstrators strongly demanded immediate \_\_\_\_\_ for their country.  
*n.* the right of an organization, country, or region to govern itself independently
224. After much contemplation, the suspect decided to plead \_\_\_\_\_ to the theft charge.  
*adj.* feeling responsible for or having done something wrong or criminal
225. Among young people, \_\_\_\_\_ pressure can be pretty influential.  
*n.* a person who has the same age, status, or ability
226. She couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ whether to order the pizza or the pasta for dinner.  
*v.* to make up someone's mind about something; to come to a conclusion or judgment after considering options
227. The kids eagerly \_\_\_\_\_ to find the hidden Easter eggs in the garden.  
*v.* to scratch or scrape at something with one's hands or claws frantically or desperately; to arrange or rearrange letter tiles to form words in a game of Scrabble (= a popular word game using a 15x15 square board and letter tiles) or a similar word game
228. Make sure to apply \_\_\_\_\_ before going to the gym.  
*n.* a product applied to the body, typically under the arms, that helps to eliminate or mask unpleasant body odor
229. These economic activities had disastrous environmental \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* the outcome of a particular action or event, especially relative to an individual
230. Adding \_\_\_\_\_ to your meals can help improve your digestion and increase fiber intake.  
*n.* the outermost layer of cereal grain, such as wheat or rice, which is removed during milling and is often used as animal feed or as a source of dietary fiber for humans; a type of coarse, fibrous substance that remains as a residue or byproduct in various industrial processes, such as oil extraction or papermaking

ANSWERS: 223. autonomy, 224. guilty, 225. peer, 226. decide, 227. scrabbled, 228. deodorant, 229. consequences, 230. bran



231. He has \_\_\_\_\_ exercising because of a back injury sustained in an accident.

*n.* a condition or state that causes problems

232. His anti-\_\_\_\_\_ practices were quite strict.

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

233. This substance acts as a neural \_\_\_\_\_ substance.

*n.* a piece of equipment used for generating and sending electronic signals, especially radio or television signals

234. I must \_\_\_\_\_ my loan on time to avoid late fees and penalties.

*v.* to give back or make restitution for money, debt, or other obligation that is owed; to compensate or reward someone for something done or given

235. 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

236. The team set up a \_\_\_\_\_ tent for shelter during the storm.

*adj.* serving as a temporary substitute or solution; improvised

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

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

238. Our plan includes a comprehensive marketing \_\_\_\_\_.

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

ANSWERS: 231. difficulty, 232. luxury, 233. transmitter, 234. repay, 235. rev, 236. makeshift, 237. Depression, 238. strategy

239. Even the slightest design \_\_\_\_\_ in an aircraft can lead to a fatal accident.  
*n.* a fault, mistake, or weakness that causes something not to be perfect
240. Thousands of people attended the protest \_\_\_\_\_ against the proposed policy.  
*n.* a display or show, often of a particular skill or product, intended to convince or persuade others
241. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the novel centers around a group of friends who uncover a conspiracy to control the world's water supply.  
*n.* a secret plan or scheme to achieve a specific goal; the plan or main story of a literary work; (verb) to plan secretly, usually something illegal
242. 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
243. I made plans to spend my \_\_\_\_\_ time beneficially.  
*adj.* additional to what is necessary for ordinary use; (verb) to give time, money, space, etc. to someone
244. The snowy \_\_\_\_\_ is a large, white bird often seen in the Arctic.  
*n.* a nocturnal bird of prey with large eyes, a facial disc, and typically a loud hooting call
245. The paper is \_\_\_\_\_ worth reading thoroughly.  
*adv.* without any question and beyond doubt; clearly
246. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ my head to the beat of the music.  
*v.* to move up and down quickly and repeatedly, often in a short, jerky motion; to cut, trim, or shorten hair, especially by repeatedly snipping with scissors; (noun) a hairstyle in which the hair is cut short and even all around, usually above the shoulders

ANSWERS: 239. flaw, 240. demonstration, 241. plot, 242. salary, 243. spare, 244. owl, 245. definitely, 246. bob

247. Stop being \_\_\_\_\_ and always speak the truth.

*adj.* connected with or resulting from someone's emotions, rather than reason or realism

248. The \_\_\_\_\_ stories of King Arthur have been passed down for centuries.

*adj.* famous or well-known, especially through long-standing popular stories or tradition

249. The \_\_\_\_\_ character is always anxious and worries about everything.

*adj.* suffering from neurosis or excessive and irrational anxiety or distress, often about everyday situations and circumstances

250. This movie is likely to \_\_\_\_\_ strong emotions in the viewer.

*v.* to bring or recall a feeling, memory, or image into your mind

251. We \_\_\_\_\_ in a souvenir shop.

*v.* to shop around in a leisurely and casual way; to look through a book, magazine, Internet, etc., casually and randomly, without seeking anything in particular; (of an animal) to feed on plants

252. Earth's ecosystems are greatly affected by \_\_\_\_\_ changes in climate.

*adj.* relating to a period of a thousand years or the year 2000; (noun) a person born between the early 1980s and the late 1990s, also called Generation Y

253. I'll \_\_\_\_\_ the online store to see if I can find that item in a different color.

*v.* to ride on or through waves while standing or lying down on a board or other object; to search or browse the Internet or other computer networks in a casual or aimless manner

ANSWERS: 247. sentimental, 248. legendary, 249. neurotic, 250. evoke, 251. browsed, 252. millennial-scale, 253. surf

254. 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

255. 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

256. The \_\_\_\_\_ kitten was easily overlooked in the litter.

- adj.* very small or tiny in size; expressing smallness or endearment; (noun) a word or suffix that indicates smallness in size or affection

257. I claim on my \_\_\_\_\_ that it is true.

- n.* high regard or great respect for someone; the quality of having and doing based on a keen sense of morality; (verb) to show respect towards someone

258. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to see criminal behavior even though it is minor.

- adj.* not enjoyable or comfortable

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

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

260. My memory will \_\_\_\_\_ but my heart will live on.

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

261. The politician tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the embarrassing incident under the rug.

- v.* to clean something, especially a floor or an area, by using a broom; move swiftly and smoothly

ANSWERS: 254. develop, 255. structure, 256. diminutive, 257. honor, 258. unpleasant, 259. Chronic, 260. fade, 261. sweep

262. The long lecture on a topic I already knew left me struggling to fight off \_\_\_\_\_.
- n.* a state of weariness, restlessness, or impatience that arises from not being interested or engaged in an activity, task, or situation
263. His infinite love and \_\_\_\_\_ for everyone never weary.
- n.* a strong feeling of sympathy and sadness for another's suffering or bad luck
264. Skill and \_\_\_\_\_ are an unconquered army.
- n.* the feeling or attitude that one can trust or rely on the abilities or good qualities of someone or something
265. Management must take \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for the accident.
- adj.* furthest or highest in degree or order
266. They have no \_\_\_\_\_ to win the game.
- n.* something, such as a punishment, reward, etc., that encourages a person to do something
267. A suspension order from the court is effective \_\_\_\_\_.
- adv.* now or without delay
268. We \_\_\_\_\_ taking media training every six months.
- v.* to suggest that someone or something would be a suitable fit for a particular purpose or role
269. She studies gardening on a \_\_\_\_\_ basis.
- n.* a usual or habitual way of doing things; a set sequence of steps, part of a larger computer program

ANSWERS: 262. boredom, 263. compassion, 264. confidence, 265. ultimate, 266. incentive, 267. immediately, 268. recommend, 269. routine

270. 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
271. She left the \_\_\_\_\_ door open inadvertently.  
*n.* a piece of electrical equipment in which food can be stored at low temperatures so that it stays fresh
272. Humankind took centuries to \_\_\_\_\_ true democracy.  
*v.* to finish or achieve something successfully
273. The \_\_\_\_\_ doctor misdiagnosed my illness and prescribed the wrong medication.  
*adj.* lacking the necessary skills, knowledge, or ability to perform a task or job; not legally qualified or authorized to perform a particular task or job
274. The \_\_\_\_\_ has largely gotten positive feedback.  
*n.* an extended fictional work in prose; usually in the form of a story; (adjective) original and of a kind not seen before
275. They hope to \_\_\_\_\_ their business worldwide.  
*v.* to increase or to make something greater in size, number, or importance
276. In the \_\_\_\_\_ the metal gleamed with radiance.  
*n.* an enclosed chamber for heating metal or glass to very high temperatures
277. I filled the \_\_\_\_\_ with hot water and a bubble bath for a relaxing soak.  
*n.* a large container, typically made of porcelain or acrylic, for holding water in which a person can bathe

ANSWERS: 270. mentioned, 271. fridge, 272. accomplish, 273. incompetent, 274. novel, 275. expand, 276. furnace, 277. bathtub

278. The \_\_\_\_\_ suspect was later apprehended for a different crime.

- n.* a tax or payment, particularly a share or portion of something; a person from Scotland or a Scottish immigrant

279. The third season of the anime show has been \_\_\_\_\_.

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

280. She accused her boss of being a \_\_\_\_\_ for advocating for workers' rights while mistreating his employees.

- n.* a person who claims to have certain beliefs or values but acts in a way that contradicts those beliefs or values; a person who pretends to be virtuous or moral but behaves in an unethical or deceitful way

281. We \_\_\_\_\_ the payment because of an incorrect invoice.

- v.* to cause something to happen at a later time than originally intended or expected

282. The ball speed will increase when the lower body movements are perfectly \_\_\_\_\_.

- v.* to happen or cause to happen at the same time or rate

283. Shame and \_\_\_\_\_ have significant social influences.

- n.* the fact of having committed something illegal; the negative feelings caused by believing or knowing that you have done something wrong

284. The police officer \_\_\_\_\_ the suspect through the crowded streets until they finally caught him.

- v.* to pursue something or someone to catch or capture them; to go after something vigorously or with determination; (noun) a pursuit or a hunt; a narrow groove or channel cut into a surface, often used for decorative purposes

ANSWERS: 278. scot-free, 279. announced, 280. hypocrite, 281. delayed, 282. synchronized, 283. guilt, 284. chased

285. He could \_\_\_\_\_ his opponents with his quick thinking and strategic planning.

- v.* to defeat or best someone through cleverness, cunning, or intelligence, to prevail over someone by being smarter or more strategic

286. Our company \_\_\_\_\_ to the school endowment fund every year.

- v.* to give money, food, clothes, etc. to help a person or organization

287. After a thorough investigation, she has been named as the \_\_\_\_\_ suspect.

- adj.* main or most important; basic

288. The chocolate cake was too \_\_\_\_\_ for me to resist.

- adj.* likely to attract or persuade someone to do something, especially something that may not be wise or safe

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

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

290. The \_\_\_\_\_ to the new class was informative and engaging.

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

291. The organization \_\_\_\_\_ her to be the next president.

- v.* to propose someone for a position, especially in politics or an organization, or some honor

292. In this class, you will learn how to solve quadratic \_\_\_\_\_.

- n.* the act of regarding as equal; (mathematics) a statement that expresses the equality of two expressions by connecting them with the equals sign

ANSWERS: 285. outsmart, 286. donates, 287. prime, 288. tempting, 289. halfway, 290. introduction, 291. nominated, 292. equations



293. She departed hurriedly because of some significant \_\_\_\_\_ in their affairs.  
*n.* the quality of being very important and needing to be dealt with immediately
294. This evidence supports the big-bang \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a proposed idea or explanation that is based on a few known facts but has not yet been proven to be true or accurate
295. He quickly fabricated an \_\_\_\_\_ for not attending the meeting.  
*n.* a reason or explanation, either true or invented, given to justify a fault or defend your behavior; (verb) to make someone free from blame or clear from guilt
296. These articles cite five \_\_\_\_\_ of climate change.  
*n.* a particular example or single occurrence of something
297. He devoted his life to establishing a humanitarian \_\_\_\_\_ fund.  
*n.* a feeling of happiness and relaxation that comes when something burdensome is removed or reduced
298. It's important to clean your \_\_\_\_\_ cage frequently to ensure their health and comfort.  
*n.* a small, furry rodent commonly kept as a pet; often used in research laboratories due to their small size and ease of handling
299. Have you \_\_\_\_\_ a response from them yet?  
*v.* to obtain information or a reaction from someone, usually with difficulty
300. The movie has received almost universally \_\_\_\_\_ criticism.  
*adj.* having the quality of something bad or harmful; expressing refusal

ANSWERS: 293. urgency, 294. hypothesis, 295. excuse, 296. instances, 297. relief, 298. hamster's, 299. elicited, 300. negative

301. My \_\_\_\_\_ with end-rounded bristles is excellent for gently cleaning my teeth and gums.  
*n.* a small brush with a handle used for cleaning the teeth
302. This artwork is \_\_\_\_\_ of her work.  
*adj.* having the usual characteristics or traits of a specific group of things
303. Solar gravity creates \_\_\_\_\_ pressures and temperatures.  
*adj.* very great in amount or degree
304. There was an almost certain \_\_\_\_\_ that the company was involved in illegal activities.  
*n.* the act of doubting something, especially something wrong
305. The \_\_\_\_\_ description of a website is an important element for search engine optimization.  
*adj.* pertaining to or involving a higher or more abstract level of analysis, interpretation, or self-reference, often used to describe aspects of gaming, social media, or other online communities that involve self-conscious or self-referential elements
306. He made a generous \_\_\_\_\_ to the charity.  
*n.* a voluntary gift of money, service, or ideas that are given to a person or an organization, or the act of giving them
307. He's utterly \_\_\_\_\_ with his promotion.  
*v.* to fill the mind of someone continually so that one can't think of anything else
308. The \_\_\_\_\_ from her friends and family were overwhelming after she won the championship.  
*n.* the act of expressing that someone has an occasion for celebration or the expression of pleasure at the success or good fortune of another

ANSWERS: 301. toothbrush, 302. typical, 303. extreme, 304. suspicion, 305. meta, 306. donation, 307. obsessed, 308. congratulations

309. The river was too deep to cross, so we had to find a \_\_\_\_\_ downstream where the water was shallower.

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

310. 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

311. The chairperson \_\_\_\_\_ him the right to speak.

*v.* to agree to give or allow somebody

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

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

313. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the situation is that he won the lottery on the day he lost his job.

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

314. I need to \_\_\_\_\_ for a few more minutes before starting my day.

*v.* to take a brief nap or doze, often for a short period of time, especially during the day; to sleep lightly or fitfully; (noun) nodded politely

315. My computer has been acting \_\_\_\_\_ recently.

*adj.* extraordinary, unexpected, or difficult to explain

316. I decided to seek counseling on the advice of my \_\_\_\_\_.

*n.* one of a group of a coworker, especially in a profession or a business

ANSWERS: 309. ford, 310. bold, 311. granted, 312. absorption, 313. irony, 314. snooze, 315. weird, 316. colleague

317. The sudden policy change has caused \_\_\_\_\_ among employees.  
*n.* the state of being mixed up or unclear, or the state of disorder or uncertainty
318. 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
319. They watched the train \_\_\_\_\_ into the distance.  
*v.* to cease to exist or be visible
320. Global \_\_\_\_\_ is rising in virtually every industry.  
*n.* a situation in which someone is attempting to beat or outperform another
321. As a self-confessed \_\_\_\_\_ she always finished her assignments the moment they were assigned, preferring to get them out of the way.  
*n.* (antonym for "procrastinator") a person who tends to complete tasks as soon as possible, often excessively or prematurely; someone who inclines to finish or accomplish tasks far ahead of the deadline or required time
322. The \_\_\_\_\_ approved by Congress was perfunctorily implemented.  
*n.* an official rule made and maintained by a government or some other authority; the act of controlling or directing something according to a rule
323. The \_\_\_\_\_ sculpture was worth a fortune.  
*n.* a green or white mineral, typically composed of jadeite or nephrite, used for making jewelry and ornamental objects; an old or over-worked horse
324. The choice between bureaucracy and adhocacy represents a common \_\_\_\_\_.  
*n.* a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more options, especially that are equally unfavorable ones

ANSWERS: 317. confusion, 318. definition, 319. disappear, 320. competition, 321. precrastinator, 322. regulation, 323. jade, 324. dilemma

325. She found a paint \_\_\_\_\_ on the wall and realized it was time to repaint the room.

*n.* a small, thin piece or layer of something, often with a flat or irregular shape; a person who is unreliable or inconsistent

326. I asked the lawyer to initiate \_\_\_\_\_ negotiations for voluntary liquidation.

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

327. The \_\_\_\_\_ session of the Diet opened.

*adj.* not different, exceptional, or unexpected in any way, especially in quality, ability, size, or degree

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

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

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

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

ANSWERS: 325. flake, 326. creditor, 327. ordinary, 328. eventually, 329. assign