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Session 1: Word List

- awe** *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
synonym: wonder, amazement, reverence
(1) a feeling of **awe**, (2) in **awe** of the situation
The **awe-inspiring** mountains dominate the landscape.
- mammal** *n.* any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
(1) a primitive **mammal**, (2) a sort of **mammal**
Marine **mammal** populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.
- 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.
- weigh** *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
synonym: consider, cogitate, count

(1) **weigh** heavily on stock prices, (2) **weigh** a cargo
The baby **weighs** 1 pound 3 oz.

disperse

v. to spread out or distribute over a broad region, or to cause something to do so

synonym: dissipate, spread, scatter

(1) **disperse** false information, (2) **disperse** the protesters
Before authorities **dispersed** the protesters, they yelled slogans.

vital

adj. necessary for the success or continued existence of something

synonym: critical, crucial, invigorating

(1) play a **vital** role, (2) **vital** for a healthy society
Perseverance and optimism are **vital** to success.

span

n. the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers

synonym: interval, period, length

(1) the **span** of a bird's wings, (2) the average life **span**
He slightly modified the **span** of training because it was just before a match.

compassionate

adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others

synonym: empathetic, sympathetic, merciful

(1) a **compassionate** heart, (2) **compassionate** leave
My father has a serious and **compassionate** personality.

complexity

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

synonym: intricacy, sophistication, elaboration

(1) cognitive **complexity**, (2) **complexity** theory
The project's **complexity** made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.

matriarch

n. a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group

synonym : leader, head, founder

(1) ruled by a **matriarch**, (2) **matriarch** figure

The **matriarch** of the family was known for her wisdom and guidance.

nurture

v. to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

synonym : boost, cultivate, enable

(1) **nurture** love, (2) **nurture** his talents

Schools should **nurture** children's mutual interest spirit.

navigate

v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map

synonym : guide, helm, voyage

(1) **navigate** the Pacific, (2) **navigate** through a document

Our knowledge helps **navigate** our clients successfully.

bush

n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root

synonym : copse, scrub, brushwood

(1) trees and **bushes**, (2) a **bush** of hair

I am going to trim this **bush** off.

tease

v. to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing

synonym : bully, annoy, provoke

(1) **tease** the children, (2) **tease** wool

This ad is intended to **tease** a competing product.

communicate

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

synonym :

convey, share, transmit

(1) **communicate** his anxieties to the psychiatrist,

(2) **communicate** well with my advisor

Dolphins use sound to **communicate** with each other.

verbalize

v. to articulate or express verbally; to put something into words or speech; to speak out loud

synonym: articulate, express, utter

(1) **verbalize** thoughts, (2) **verbalize** emotions

Sometimes it isn't easy to **verbalize** exactly how we feel.

dialect

n. a form of a language that is spoken in a particular geographical area or by a particular group of people and has distinguishing characteristics

synonym: accent, language, vernacular

(1) a local **dialect**, (2) minority **dialect**

The **dialect** spoken in the region differed from other parts of the country.

landscape

n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

synonym: geography, terrain, topography

(1) a peaceful **landscape**, (2) **landscape** painting

Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political **landscape** in Europe.

emotional

adj. relating to people's feelings

synonym: affecting, impactful, impressive

(1) **emotional** health, (2) **emotional** distress

Human **emotional** responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.

magnificent

adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed

synonym: splendid, brilliant, exquisite

(1) a **magnificent** plan, (2) a **magnificent** mountain
The **magnificent** scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.

documentary

n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents

synonym: film, broadcast, doco

(1) a **documentary** film, (2) **documentary** proof

He won an award for that short **documentary**.

intelligence

n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons

synonym: brains, brightness, cleverness

(1) an **intelligence** test, (2) field of artificial **intelligence**

In terms of **intelligence**, he was head and shoulders above his classmates.

safari

n. an expedition, usually with a guide, for viewing or hunting wild animals, especially in Africa

synonym: expedition, journey, exploration

(1) **safari** adventure, (2) **safari** park

Going on a **safari** to see wild animals up close is a unique experience.

utterly

adv. completely or absolutely

synonym: absolutely, completely, perfectly

(1) **utterly** changed, (2) **utterly** ignorant

We are **utterly** opposed to any form of terrorism.

terrify

v. to frighten someone very much

synonym: unnerve, scare, horrify

(1) **terrify** people, (2) the threats **terrify** him

It would be best not to **terrify** your associates into doing complex tasks.

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.

estate

n. a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation

synonym : property, domain, land

(1) **estate** agent, (2) real **estate** transaction

The wealthy businessman left his entire **estate** to his children when he died.

pile

n. a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money

synonym : accumulation, heap, stack

(1) a sand **pile**, (2) the height of a **pile**

After the party, they had to clean up **piles** of dirty dishes.

reserve

v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance

synonym : keep, hold, preserve

(1) **reserve** the right, (2) **reserve** a concert ticket

You can easily **reserve** seats over the telephone.

heaven

n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

synonym : paradise, nirvana, utopia

(1) ascend to **heaven**, (2) **heaven** on earth

He felt like **heaven** when he tasted the delicious chocolate

cake.

bud

n. a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot

synonym: shoot, sprout, germ

(1) pinch off a **bud**, (2) **bud** grafting

The flower was starting to show its **bud** and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.

zoology

n. the scientific study of animals, including their classification, habits, behavior, physiology, and evolution

synonym: animal science, biology, zoography

(1) **zoology** book, (2) **zoology** professor

She's studying **zoology** at university and hopes to work at a zoo someday.

fence

n. a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property

synonym: barrier, wall, hedge

(1) **fence** post, (2) a brushwood **fence**

She planted a hedge to serve as a natural **fence** around her garden.

divisive

adj. tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people

synonym: polarizing, contentious, disagreeable

(1) **divisive** question, (2) suppress **divisive** arguments

The proposed policy has been met with **divisive** reactions from the public.

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.

vast

adj. enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

synonym: expansive, extended, boundless

(1) **vast** majority, (2) **vast** desert

A **vast** audience viewed the broadcast.

instinctively

adv. as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training

synonym: inherently, intuitively, naturally

(1) **instinctively** grabbed the knife, (2) **instinctively** bad with children

Some researchers claim that even humans can **instinctively** sense earthquakes.

nation

n. a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

synonym: country, state, sovereign entity

(1) **nation-state**, (2) a seafaring **nation**

The **nation** of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

coexist

v. to live or exist together at the same time in the same place

synonym: cohabit, accompany, synchronize

(1) **coexist** with nature, (2) **coexist** with diversity

The different species can **coexist** in the same ecosystem by filling different niches and using different resources.

urge

v. to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

synonym: push for, advise, (noun) impulse

(1) **urge** a total ban, (2) a sexual **urge**

The lobbyist **urged** Congress not to approve the measure.

ivory

n. a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

synonym: elephant tusk, bone, tooth

(1) tower of **ivory**, (2) **ivory** carving

The intricate carvings on the **ivory** tusk were a work of art.

horrific

adj. causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying

synonym: terrifying, alarming, shocking

(1) **horrific** experience, (2) **horrific** condition

The accident scene was **horrific**, with bodies and debris scattered everywhere.

ongoing

adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening

synonym: continuous, current, proceeding

(1) still **ongoing**, (2) **ongoing** support

The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the **ongoing** economic crisis.

conflict

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

synonym: clash, discord, competition

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

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

pachyderm

n. a type of large mammal with thick skin, such as an elephant, rhinoceros, or hippopotamus

synonym: elephant, rhinoceros, hippopotamus

(1) **pachyderm** species, (2) **pachyderm** habitat

The African savanna is home to many magnificent **pachyderms**, including elephants and rhinos.

compete

v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something

synonym: contend, contest, vie

(1) **compete** against a friend, (2) **compete** fiercely

You must **compete** with others to obtain this position.

roam

v. to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander

synonym: wander, ramble, meander

(1) **roam** freely, (2) **roam** the countryside

I love to **roam** around the city and discover new neighborhoods.

quadruple

v. to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many

(1) **quadruple** the amount, (2) **quadruple** the price of gold

His stock earnings **quadrupled**.

fragment

n. a small piece or part broken off or detached

synonym: piece, shard, segment

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

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

pace

n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes

synonym: gait, rate, speed

(1) at your own **pace**, (2) the runner's **pace**

The economy is growing at a supercharged **pace**.

migrate

v. to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally

synonym: relocate, emigrate, roam

(1) **migrate** across borders, (2) **migrate** a service

Many Germans **migrated** to South America in the mid-19th

century.

stick

v. to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material

synonym : pierce, adhere, stay

(1) **stick** a key in a lock, (2) fire **stick**

You **stick** a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.

rip

v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

synonym : tear, cut, slit

(1) **rip** a notebook apart, (2) **rip** a hole in the roof

During transit, the stuff may **rip** off the luggage tag.

mud

n. a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay

synonym : muck, sludge, ooze

(1) **mud** wall, (2) **mud** volcano

The **mud** of the swamp made it difficult to walk through the field.

hut

n. a small, simple, and often crude shelter or dwelling, typically made of natural materials such as wood or mud

synonym : shack, cabin, cottage

(1) shepherd's **hut**, (2) fishing **hut**

The little girl lived in a small **hut** in the woods with her family.

trunk

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

synonym : body, chest, torso

(1) the **trunk** of the tree, (2) the **trunk** of the body

Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the **trunk**.

pitch

n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing

something

synonym: angle, gradient, slope

(1) make a **pitch** for a new product, (2) a low- **pitched** sound

Her voice gradually increased in **pitch**.

trample

v. to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury

synonym: tread, stomp, crush

(1) **trample** down his feelings, (2) **trample** on the rights

The plants in this garden are precious, so you must not **trample** them.

crop

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

synonym: output, produce, product

(1) **crop** field, (2) **crop** herbicide

Sow early for an early **crop**.

traditionally

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

synonym: conventionally, commonly, generally

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

Traditionally, the ceremony was held outdoors.

erode

v. to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time

synonym: wear away, deteriorate, corrode

(1) **erode** coast, (2) **erode** trust

The ongoing budget cuts have **eroded** the quality of education in many schools.

tolerance

n. the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant

synonym: acceptance, patience, forbearance

(1) religious **tolerance**, (2) **tolerance** for risk

The school's diversity program aimed to promote **tolerance** and understanding among the students.

poach

v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings

synonym: steal, snatch

(1) **poach** on his land, (2) **poach** deer

The chef **poached** the eggs perfectly for the benedict breakfast dish.

massive

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

synonym: enormous, giant, immense

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

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

rural

adj. of or relating to the countryside

synonym: agrarian, country, rustic

(1) **rural** accents, (2) people in **rural** areas

Many **rural** areas are still impoverished.

poverty

n. the condition of being extremely poor

synonym: deprivation, destitution, poorness

(1) **poverty** alleviation, (2) the cycle of **poverty**

Many studies have investigated the relationship between **poverty** and academic achievement.

resolve

v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

synonym: decide, determine, fix

(1) **resolve** a dispute, (2) **resolve** the computer error

This company **resolves** its battery problem completely.

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?

corridor

n. a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure

synonym: hallway, passageway, aisle

(1) walk along a **corridor**, (2) air **corridor**

The long **corridor** was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.

attractive

adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable

synonym: beautiful, fetching, alluring

(1) **attractive** men, (2) **attractive** opportunity

The growth of the "sharing economy" is **attractive** for tech companies.

pole

n. one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something

synonym: rod, staff, shaft

(1) a fishing **pole**, (2) the plus **pole**

The North **Pole** is the northernmost point on Earth.

gap

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

synonym: opening, lacuna, spread

(1) the **gap** between ideal and reality, (2) distance **gap**

Many people are working together to close the gender **gap**.

suddenly

adv. quickly and unexpectedly

synonym : abruptly, unexpectedly, unawares

(1) **suddenly** attacked by an enemy, (2) die **suddenly**

Who answers **suddenly** knows little.

hardline

adj. firm and uncompromising; very strict or severe

synonym : strict, inflexible, uncompromising

(1) **hardline** candidate, (2) **hardline** approach

The **hardline** stance on immigration was met with criticism from many quarters.

straight

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

synonym : linear, honest, consecutive

(1) a **straight** line, (2) **straight** for two months

He was sick for five **straight** days.

migratory

adj. relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons

synonym : nomadic, wandering, roving

(1) **migratory** species, (2) **migratory** route

The **migratory** birds flew thousands of miles to reach their wintering grounds.

holistic

adj. relating to or dealing with the whole of something rather than just its parts

synonym : comprehensive, all-encompassing, total

(1) **holistic** education, (2) develop a **holistic** vision

The **holistic** approach to healthcare considers the person's physical, mental, and emotional well-being.

discovery

n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

synonym : finding, uncovering, detection

(1) a scientific **discovery**, (2) the great **discovery** of the

century

Her research team made an important **discovery**.

beehive

n. a structure or container where bees live and store their honey

synonym : hive, apiary, honeycomb

(1) disturb a **beehive**, (2) get rid of a **beehive**

The beekeeper checked the **beehive** for any signs of disease.

branch

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

synonym : limb, twig, bough

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

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

nest

n. a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young

synonym : roost, perch, burrow

(1) bird's **nest**, (2) a **nest** of thieves

The female birds build a **nest** and lay their eggs in May.

sting

v. to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick

synonym : bite, prick, poke

(1) **sting** me on the arm, (2) **sting** his face

Bees **sting** as a defense mechanism when they feel threatened.

centimeter

n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter

(1) **centimeter** measurement, (2) thirty **centimeters** tall

The room was only one **centimeter** wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.

watery

adj. full of or containing water; wet

synonym : liquid, wet, damp

(1) a **watery** fluid, (2) go to a **watery** grave

The soup was too **watery** and needed more flavor.

scared

adj. afraid or frightened

synonym : frightened, fearful, dreading

(1) **scared** all the time, (2) **scared** dog

I'm **scared** of insects.

phenomenal

adj. extremely good or impressive; outstanding

synonym : extraordinary, remarkable, impressive

(1) **phenomenal** success, (2) **phenomenal** growth

The athlete's **phenomenal** performance broke all previous records.

release

v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement

synonym : free, let go, discharge

(1) **release** a prisoner, (2) **release** CO2 into the air

The animal rights group worked to **release** the dolphins back into the wild.

pheromone

n. a chemical substance produced by an animal that is secreted into the environment and that affects the behavior or physiology of others of its species

synonym : scent, odor, aroma

(1) **pheromone** trail, (2) sexual **pheromone**

The perfume industry often uses synthetic **pheromones** to enhance their products' appeal.

trigger

v. to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

synonym : activate, spark, drive

(1) **trigger** a biochemical response, (2) **trigger** inflation

The incident **triggered** a political controversy.

beestings

n. (also known as "colostrum") the first milk produced by a cow after giving birth, which is high in fat and protein; (plural form of "beesting") the sting or injury caused by a bee

synonym: colostrum, first milk, foremilk

(1) a severe allergy to **beestings**, (2) fresh **beestings**

Farmers often reserve **beestings** for the newborn calf, as it contains important nutrients and antibodies.

threat

n. a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

synonym: menace, danger, hazard

(1) economic **threat**, (2) environmental **threat**

The **threat** of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.

calf

n. a young cow, bull, or other domestic bovine animals

synonym: baby cow, heifer, yearling

(1) baby **calf**, (2) a **calf** elephant

The newborn **calf** stood on wobbly legs, trying to find its mother's milk.

interact

v. to communicate or react with somebody

synonym: cooperate, combine, collaborate

(1) **interact** directly with customers, (2) **interact** with one another

He should **interact** more with his colleagues.

disturb

v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.

synonym: agitate, bother, intrude

(1) **disturb** the peace, (2) **disturb** his sleep

Tourists frequently **disturb** the island's delicate natural balance.

wireless

adj. of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals

synonym : cordless, radio

(1) **wireless** access, (2) **wireless** charging

The office's **wireless** network allows employees to work from anywhere in the building.

react

v. to take action in response to something

synonym : respond, reply, oppose

(1) **react** at a high temperature, (2) **react** against his way of thinking

How did he **react** to your idea?

dramatically

adv. in a very impressive manner

synonym : greatly, noticeably, suddenly

(1) he confessed **dramatically**, (2) the cabin pressure fell **dramatically**

Life expectancy has grown **dramatically** this century.

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.

flick

v. to make a sudden sharp movement or hit something quickly with a sharp movement

synonym : snap, tap, flip

(1) **flicker** candle, (2) **flick** through pages

He **flicked** the light switch, and the room was illuminated.

retreat

n. the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

synonym : escape, withdrawal, vacation

(1) **retreat** deeper into their territory, (2) **retreat** in a

mountain region

Many people go on a **retreat** to recharge and reconnect with themselves.

savannah

n. a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close

synonym: grassland, plain

(1) **savannah** region, (2) tropical **savannah**

The birds live in tropical forests, **savannahs**, and arid semi-desert environments.

buzz

v. to make a continuous, low humming sound such as the one a bee makes; an exciting and active atmosphere

synonym: hum, murmur, whisper

(1) the **buzz** of a cicada, (2) **buzz** marketing

I heard the **buzz** of conversation from the next room.

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.

flee

v. to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

synonym: exit, escape, run away

(1) **flee** their homes, (2) **flee** abroad

It is a basic instinct to **flee** from a dangerous situation.

infrasonic

adj. relating to sound waves below the range of human hearing, typically below 20 Hz

synonym: inaudible, subsonic

(1) **infrasonic** sensor, (2) **infrasonic** electronic waves

Infrasonic waves can be used for communication, such as in long-range submarines.

microphone

n. a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder

synonym: mic, megaphone, amplifier

(1) **microphone** cable, (2) built-in **microphone**

The interviewer asked him to speak into the **microphone**.

rumble

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

synonym: roar, growl, grumble

(1) **rumble** an order, (2) **rumble** down the dirt track

The thunder **rumbled** in the distance.

warn

v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

synonym: alert, caution, admonish

(1) **warn** a reckless driver, (2) **warned** me of the plan

I attempted to **warn** him, but he ignored me.

invention

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

synonym: creation, design, innovation

(1) the **invention** of new techniques, (2) common **invention**

Necessity is the mother of **invention**.

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.

acre

n. a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)

(1) half- **acre** parcel, (2) an **acre** of forest

The farm covers over 200 **acres** of land.

vulnerable

adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally

synonym : susceptible, exposed, weak

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

frontline

adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy

synonym : battlefield, cutting edge

(1) **frontline** health workers, (2) at the **frontline** of the war
Within days, the new aircraft was in **frontline** service.

dummy

n. a model or imitation of something that is used as a substitute; a person who is perceived as lacking intelligence or acting foolishly

synonym : mannequin, puppet, figurine

(1) **dummy** address, (2) the crash test **dummy**

The ventriloquist's **dummy** was incredibly lifelike and entertaining.

hive

n. a structure for the reception and habitation of bees, either built by people or made by the bees themselves; a place swarming people

synonym : apiary, swarm, pack

(1) honeybees in **hives**, (2) a **hive** of activity

Bees were buzzing around the **hive**

farmland

n. land used for farming or agricultural purposes

synonym : agriculture, cropland

(1) **farmland** acreage, (2) fertile **farmland**

The government is encouraging farmers to expand their **farmland** to increase food production.

plywood

n. a strong, flexible, and lightweight engineered wood made of thin layers of wood veneer that have been glued together at alternating, perpendicular angles

synonym : panel board, veneer panel, plyboard

(1) flexible **plywood**, (2) **plywood** furniture

Manufacturing companies use large sheets of **plywood** to make furniture and fixtures.

boundary

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

synonym: border, frontier, limitation

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

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

interconnect

v. to connect similar things

synonym: interlink, connect, annex

(1) directly **interconnect** with those systems, (2) human activities **interconnect** with the environment

Our system can now **interconnect** with other databases.

plain

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

synonym: basic, straight, bare

(1) **plain** answer, (2) delta **plain**

The lowest lowland region is mostly flat **plain**.

risky

adj. involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss

synonym: dangerous, perilous, scary

(1) change **risky** behavior, (2) a **risky** enterprise

It is extremely **risky** to sail in such a storm.

swarm

n. a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground

synonym: horde, hive, throng

(1) a **swarm** of mosquitoes, (2) locust **swarm**

A **swarm** of angry bees attacked because we had approached the hive.

scare

v. to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
synonym: frighten, spook, intimidate

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

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

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**.

raid

n. a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft

synonym: attack, invasion, aggression

(1) make a **raid** on an enemy's camp, (2) air- **raid** siren

Throughout the **raid**, the bank robbers wore masks.

pollinate

v. to transfer pollen from the male part of a flower to the female part, thereby fertilizing the plant and allowing it to produce fruit or seeds; to spread or disseminate an idea or influence to others

synonym: fertilize, propagate

(1) **pollinate** plants, (2) **pollinate** fruit trees

Without bees to **pollinate** the flowers, many crops would not exist.

reduction

n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

synonym: diminution, decrease, cutback

(1) **reduction** strategy, (2) a gradual **reduction**

The **reduction** in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.

boost

v. to improve, raise, or increase something

synonym: raise, advance, promote

(1) **boost** the economy, (2) **boost** flexibility

The new service helped **boost** net income by 10%.

yield

n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced;
(verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information

synonym: proceeds, harvest, output

(1) corn **yield**, (2) the **yield** on the bond

The company's stock gives a high **yield**.

pollination

n. the transfer of pollen from the male reproductive organs of one flower to the female reproductive organs of another flower, resulting in fertilization and the production of seeds

synonym: flowering, fertilization, cross-fertilization

(1) **pollination** by insect, (2) the cross- **pollination** of the arts

The **pollination** process is crucial for the growth and reproduction of many plants.

strength

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

synonym: resilience, power, muscles

(1) **strength** of the economy, (2) muscular **strength**

Health and **strength** are, above all, gold.

colony

n. a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away

synonym: settlement, territory, plantation

(1) plant a **colony**, (2) a **colony** of bacteria

The **colony** declared its independence and became a republic.

pollinator

n. an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds

synonym: fertilizer, pollenizer, pollen carrier

(1) **pollinator** species, (2) beneficial **pollinator**

Bees are important **pollinators** for many crops and plants.

livelihood

n. a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.

synonym: occupation, living, income

(1) a means of **livelihood**, (2) **livelihood** assistance

I could no longer earn my own **livelihood**.

alternative

n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice

synonym: choice, option

(1) an **alternative** plan, (2) there is no other **alternative**

Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using **alternative** medicines.

in-law

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

synonym: relative by marriage, family connection, affinal

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

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

priceless

adj. extremely valuable or important

synonym: invaluable, incalculable, precious

(1) **priceless** work of art, (2) **priceless** opportunity

Investigators discovered **priceless** documents throughout the house.

attract

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

synonym: lure, entice, draw in

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

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

harmony

n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of

related things and their properties

synonym: balance, accord, congruence

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

We worked in perfect **harmony**.

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.

toolbox

n. a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment

synonym: tool chest, tool kit, tool bag

(1) design **toolbox**, (2) **toolbox** storage

You should always keep a basic **toolbox** in your car in case of an emergency.

chili

n. a small hot-tasting fruit of a type of pepper plant used in sauces, relishes, and spice powders; a spicy stew made from ground beef and beans, typically seasoned with chili peppers

synonym: capsicum, pepper

(1) **chili** sauce, (2) red **chili** powder

I love making a big pot of **chili** on a cold winter day.

ginger

n. a plant (*Zingiber officinale*) that is widely cultivated for its aromatic underground stem (rhizome), which is used as a spice, especially in Asian cooking

synonym: ginger root, gingerroot, zingiber

(1) **ginger** tea, (2) **ginger** extract

I added fresh **ginger** to the stir-fry to add a little extra zing.

sunflower

n. a plant with large, round flower heads that have bright yellow petals and a dark center, grown for its edible seeds and oil, as well as for decorative purposes

synonym: helianthus

(1) **sunflower** oil, (2) **sunflower** field

The **sunflower** seeds can be roasted and eaten as a snack.

spike

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

synonym: end, spindle, point

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

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

jut

v. to extend out, up, or forward prominently or abruptly; to stick out or protrude

synonym: protrude, stick out, extend

(1) **jut** far out into the lake, (2) **jut** his chin out

The rocky cliff **jutted** out of the ground, making climbing difficult.

strip

v. to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.

synonym: deprive, undress, (noun) ribbon

(1) **strip** a tire off, (2) coast **strip**

The doctor advised him to **strip** down for a check.

weave

v. to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them

synonym: braid, unite, contrive

(1) **weave** on a loom, (2) **weave** a story

The girl **weaves** a garland for her friend.

construct

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

synonym : build, assemble, create

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

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

enterprise

n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort

synonym : business, company, industry

(1) undertake an **enterprise**, (2) his business **enterprise**

A growing **enterprise** requires a bold leader.

beekeeper

n. a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops

synonym : apiarist, apiculturist, honey farmer

(1) **beekeeper** hat, (2) local **beekeeper**

My neighbor is a professional **beekeeper** who sells honey at the local farmers' market.

weaver

n. the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth

(1) the textile **weavers**, (2) tapestry **weavers**

The **weaver** fringed the scarf.

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.

balm

n. a soothing substance or treatment used to alleviate pain or discomfort often applied to the skin; a comforting influence or alleviation for grief or distress

synonym : ointment, salve, lotion

(1) healing **balm**, (2) soothing **balm**

Aloe vera is a natural **balm** often used to treat burns and rashes.

participate

v. to take part in something

synonym : take part, partake, enter

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

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

generate

v. to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction

synonym : create, yield, produce

(1) **generate** more electricity, (2) **generate** \$100 a month

The economic stimulation program would **generate** a lot of new jobs.

forefront

n. the leading or most important position or place; the forefront of a movement or cause

synonym : vanguard, lead, front line

(1) **forefront** technology, (2) the **forefront** of an air mass

Education is at the **forefront** of our society's priorities for ensuring a better future.

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.

innovation

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

synonym : invention, initiation, creation

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

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

empathy

n. the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

synonym: compassion, sympathy, tenderness

(1) full of **empathy**, (2) **empathy** for patients

Empathy is also necessary to understand history.

Session 2: Spelling

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| 1. a n__t of thieves | <i>n.</i> a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young |
| 2. his business ent_____se | <i>n.</i> a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort |
| 3. sexual ph_____ne | <i>n.</i> a chemical substance produced by an animal that is secreted into the environment and that affects the behavior or physiology of others of its species |
| 4. locust sw__m | <i>n.</i> a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground |
| 5. par_____te in the program | <i>v.</i> to take part in something |
| 6. real es___e transaction | <i>n.</i> a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation |
| 7. a primitive ma___l | <i>n.</i> any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body |
| 8. people in ru__l areas | <i>adj.</i> of or relating to the countryside |
| 9. field of artificial int_____nce | <i>n.</i> the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons |

ANSWERS: 1. nest, 2. enterprise, 3. pheromone, 4. swarm, 5. participate, 6. estate, 7. mammal, 8. rural, 9. intelligence

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| 10. ha____ne approach | <i>adj.</i> firm and uncompromising; very strict or severe |
| 11. the bo____ry between reality and fantasy | <i>n.</i> a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places |
| 12. re__t at a high temperature | <i>v.</i> to take action in response to something |
| 13. st__k a key in a lock | <i>v.</i> to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material |
| 14. er__e coast | <i>v.</i> to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time |
| 15. thirty cen_____ers tall | <i>n.</i> a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter |
| 16. go to a wa____y grave | <i>adj.</i> full of or containing water; wet |
| 17. ge_____te more electricity | <i>v.</i> to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction |
| 18. directly int_____ect with those systems | <i>v.</i> to connect similar things |
| 19. fertile fa____nd | <i>n.</i> land used for farming or agricultural purposes |
| 20. bo__t flexibility | <i>v.</i> to improve, raise, or increase something |

ANSWERS: 10. hardline, 11. boundary, 12. react, 13. stick, 14. erode, 15. centimeter, 16. watery, 17. generate, 18. interconnect, 19. farmland, 20. boost

21. st____th of the economy *n.* the quality or state of being physically, or sometimes mentally, strong
22. a sand p__e *n.* a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money
23. du__y address *n.* a model or imitation of something that is used as a substitute; a person who is perceived as lacking intelligence or acting foolishly
24. di____b the peace *v.* to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
25. there is no other alt____ve *n.* one of two or more available possibilities or choice
26. to____x storage *n.* a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment
27. wi____ss charging *adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals
28. the most am____g feeling *adj.* extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
29. make a pi__h for a new product *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

ANSWERS: 21. strength, 22. pile, 23. dummy, 24. disturb, 25. alternative, 26. toolbox, 27. wireless, 28. amazing, 29. pitch

30. ve_____ze emotions *v.* to articulate or express verbally; to put something into words or speech; to speak out loud
31. ru__l accents *adj.* of or relating to the countryside
32. shepherd's h_t *n.* a small, simple, and often crude shelter or dwelling, typically made of natural materials such as wood or mud
33. po__h deer *v.* to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
34. tr_____e down his feelings *v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
35. environmental th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
36. re_____e a dispute *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
37. built-in mic_____ne *n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
38. red ch__i powder *n.* a small hot-tasting fruit of a type of pepper plant used in sauces, relishes, and spice powders; a spicy stew made from ground beef and beans, typically seasoned with chili peppers

ANSWERS: 30. verbalize, 31. rural, 32. hut, 33. poach, 34. trample, 35. threat, 36. resolve, 37. microphone, 38. chili

39. die su____ly *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
40. the s__n of a bird's wings *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
41. tra_____lly accepted concept *adv.* in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way
42. at your own p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
43. zo____y professor *n.* the scientific study of animals, including their classification, habits, behavior, physiology, and evolution
44. the crash test du__y *n.* a model or imitation of something that is used as a substitute; a person who is perceived as lacking intelligence or acting foolishly
45. the co____ct between good and evil *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
46. m_d wall *n.* a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay
47. 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
48. di____se the protesters *v.* to spread out or distribute over a broad region, or to cause something to do so

ANSWERS: 39. suddenly, 40. span, 41. traditionally, 42. pace, 43. zoology, 44. dummy, 45. conflict, 46. mud, 47. develop, 48. disperse

49. honeybees in h__es *n.* a structure for the reception and habitation of bees, either built by people or made by the bees themselves; a place swarming people
50. ge_____te \$100 a month *v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
51. ut_____y changed *adv.* completely or absolutely
52. na___n-state *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
53. sa___i adventure *n.* an expedition, usually with a guide, for viewing or hunting wild animals, especially in Africa
54. get rid of a be_____e *n.* a structure or container where bees live and store their honey
55. re_____e the computer error *v.* to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty
56. co_____t with diversity *v.* to live or exist together at the same time in the same place
57. a local di_____t *n.* a form of a language that is spoken in a particular geographical area or by a particular group of people and has distinguishing characteristics
58. di___e money equally *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
59. economic th____t *n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation

ANSWERS: 49. hive, 50. generate, 51. utterly, 52. nation, 53. safari, 54. beehive, 55. resolve, 56. coexist, 57. dialect, 58. divide, 59. threat

60. the threats te_____y him *v.* to frighten someone very much
61. coast st__p *v.* to remove the surface from something;
(noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
62. 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
63. c__p field *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
64. re__t against his way of thinking *v.* to take action in response to something
65. a severe allergy to be_____gs *n.* (also known as "colostrum") the first milk produced by a cow after giving birth, which is high in fat and protein; (plural form of "beesting") the sting or injury caused by a bee
66. the great di_____ry of the century *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known
67. at_____t customers *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
68. a scientific di_____ry *n.* the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 60. terrify, 61. strip, 62. trap, 63. crop, 64. react, 65. beestings, 66. discovery, 67. attract, 68. discovery

69. mi_____ry route *adj.* relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons
70. tr_____e on the rights *v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury
71. mi_____e across borders *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally
72. ins_____ely bad with children *adv.* as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training
73. ha_____ne candidate *adj.* firm and uncompromising; very strict or severe
74. 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
75. st__p a tire off *v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
76. fl__ker candle *v.* to make a sudden sharp movement or hit something quickly with a sharp movement
77. exp_____nt design *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge

ANSWERS: 69. migratory, 70. trample, 71. migrate, 72. instinctively, 73. hardline, 74. develop, 75. strip, 76. flick, 77. experiment

78. a b__h of hair *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
79. u__e a total ban *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
80. co____t with nature *v.* to live or exist together at the same time in the same place
81. tr____r inflation *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
82. re____e CO2 into the air *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement
83. pol____on by insect *n.* the transfer of pollen from the male reproductive organs of one flower to the female reproductive organs of another flower, resulting in fertilization and the production of seeds
84. po____te plants *v.* to transfer pollen from the male part of a flower to the female part, thereby fertilizing the plant and allowing it to produce fruit or seeds; to spread or disseminate an idea or influence to others
85. to____ce for risk *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
86. the cycle of po____y *n.* the condition of being extremely poor

ANSWERS: 78. bush, 79. urge, 80. coexist, 81. trigger, 82. release, 83. pollination, 84. pollinate, 85. tolerance, 86. poverty

87. r__m freely *v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
88. 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
89. full of em____y *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
90. a broken fr____nt *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
91. f__d a river *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
92. fresh be____gs *n.* (also known as "colostrum") the first milk produced by a cow after giving birth, which is high in fat and protein; (plural form of "beesting") the sting or injury caused by a bee
93. na____te through a document *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
94. common in____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
95. la____pe painting *n.* an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

ANSWERS: 87. roam, 88. process, 89. empathy, 90. fragment, 91. ford, 92. beestings, 93. navigate, 94. invention, 95. landscape

96. sc___d all the time *adj.* afraid or frightened
97. br___h office *n.* a division of a tree or woody shrub that grows out from the trunk or a main stem; a division of some larger or more complex organization
98. tra_____lly sung at a banquet *adv.* in accordance with tradition; typically or commonly done in a particular way
99. wi_____ss access *adj.* of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals
100. fe__e post *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
101. vul_____le parts of the body *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
102. co_____ct a 3D image *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
103. nu_____e his talents *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
104. com_____te well with my advisor *v.* to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
105. po_____te fruit trees *v.* to transfer pollen from the male part of a flower to the female part, thereby fertilizing the plant and allowing it to produce fruit or seeds; to spread or disseminate an idea or influence to others

ANSWERS: 96. scared, 97. branch, 98. traditionally, 99. wireless, 100. fence, 101. vulnerable, 102. construct, 103. nurture, 104. communicate, 105. pollinate

116. di____se false information *v.* to spread out or distribute over a broad region, or to cause something to do so
117. re____t in a mountain region *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
118. minority di____t *n.* a form of a language that is spoken in a particular geographical area or by a particular group of people and has distinguishing characteristics
119. su____er oil *n.* a plant with large, round flower heads that have bright yellow petals and a dark center, grown for its edible seeds and oil, as well as for decorative purposes
120. we__e a story *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
121. r_p a hole in the roof *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
122. co____ct a dam *v.* to build or create something; to assemble or combine different parts to form something whole
123. a co___y of bacteria *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
124. tower of iv__y *n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items

ANSWERS: 116. disperse, 117. retreat, 118. dialect, 119. sunflower, 120. weave, 121. rip, 122. construct, 123. colony, 124. ivory

125. tapestry we___rs *n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
126. pol_____or species *n.* an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds
127. religious to_____ce *n.* the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
128. 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
129. fr_____nt of a text *n.* a small piece or part broken off or detached
130. a mag_____nt mountain *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
131. undertake an ent_____se *n.* a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
132. co_____e against a friend *v.* to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
133. we__h heavily on stock prices *v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
134. mi_____ry species *adj.* relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons

ANSWERS: 125. weaver, 126. pollinator, 127. tolerance, 128. trap, 129. fragment, 130. magnificent, 131. enterprise, 132. compete, 133. weigh, 134. migratory

135. fl__k through pages *v.* to make a sudden sharp movement or hit something quickly with a sharp movement
136. geographical bo____ry *n.* a real or imaginary line that marks the limit or extent of something and separates it from other things or places
137. inn_____on leader *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
138. att_____ve men *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
139. gi___r tea *n.* a plant (*Zingiber officinale*) that is widely cultivated for its aromatic underground stem (rhizome), which is used as a spice, especially in Asian cooking
140. to prevent blood sugar sp__es *n.* a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something
141. beneficial pol_____or *n.* an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds
142. ho_____ic experience *adj.* causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
143. pa_____rm species *n.* a type of large mammal with thick skin, such as an elephant, rhinoceros, or hippopotamus

ANSWERS: 135. flick, 136. boundary, 137. innovation, 138. attractive, 139. ginger, 140. spike, 141. pollinator, 142. horrific, 143. pachyderm

144. com_____te his anxieties to the psychiatrist
v. to share or exchange information with others by speaking, writing, moving your body, or using other signals
145. corn yi__d
n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
146. healing b__m
n. a soothing substance or treatment used to alleviate pain or discomfort often applied to the skin; a comforting influence or alleviation for grief or distress
147. inf_____ic electronic waves
adj. relating to sound waves below the range of human hearing, typically below 20 Hz
148. at the fr_____ne of the war
adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
149. an alt_____ve plan
n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice
150. cen_____er measurement
n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
151. iv__y carving
n. a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
152. we__h a cargo
v. to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion

ANSWERS: 144. communicate, 145. yield, 146. balm, 147. infrasonic, 148. frontline, 149. alternative, 150. centimeter, 151. ivory, 152. weigh

153. be_____er hat *n.* a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops
154. pr_____ss opportunity *adj.* extremely valuable or important
155. a means of liv_____od *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
156. es___e agent *n.* a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation
157. 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
158. a sw___m of mosquitoes *n.* a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground
159. a st_____ht line *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
160. the in_____on of new techniques *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation; the act of inventing
161. f___e their homes *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
162. nu_____e love *v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing

ANSWERS: 153. beekeeper, 154. priceless, 155. livelihood, 156. estate, 157. planet, 158. swarm, 159. straight, 160. invention, 161. flee, 162. nurture

163. the plus p__e *n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something
164. fishing h_t *n.* a small, simple, and often crude shelter or dwelling, typically made of natural materials such as wood or mud
165. air-r__d siren *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
166. make a r__d on an enemy's camp *n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft
167. distance g_p *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
168. sc__e off her attacker by screaming *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
169. gi___r extract *n.* a plant (*Zingiber officinale*) that is widely cultivated for its aromatic underground stem (rhizome), which is used as a spice, especially in Asian cooking
170. r_p a notebook apart *v.* to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly
171. com_____ty theory *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
172. na_____te the Pacific *v.* to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
173. in_____ct with one another *v.* to communicate or react with somebody

ANSWERS: 163. pole, 164. hut, 165. raid, 166. raid, 167. gap, 168. scare, 169. ginger, 170. rip, 171. complexity, 172. navigate, 173. interact

174. re_____e a concert ticket *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
175. sc____d dog *adj.* afraid or frightened
176. 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
177. co_____al combination of funds *adj.* belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
178. pl_____d furniture *n.* a strong, flexible, and lightweight engineered wood made of thin layers of wood veneer that have been glued together at alternating, perpendicular angles
179. a vul_____le bridge *adj.* capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
180. an a__e of forest *n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
181. em_____al distress *adj.* relating to people's feelings
182. pinch off a b_d *n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
183. te_____y people *v.* to frighten someone very much
184. ma_____e amounts *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
185. ph_____ne trail *n.* a chemical substance produced by an animal that is secreted into the environment and that affects the behavior or physiology of others of its species

ANSWERS: 174. reserve, 175. scared, 176. novel, 177. communal, 178. plywood, 179. vulnerable, 180. acre, 181. emotional, 182. bud, 183. terrify, 184. massive, 185. pheromone

186. a com_____ate heart *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
187. a mag_____nt plan *adj.* extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
188. fo_____nt technology *n.* the leading or most important position or place; the forefront of a movement or cause
189. delta pl__n *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
190. inf_____ic sensor *adj.* relating to sound waves below the range of human hearing, typically below 20 Hz
191. a h__e of activity *n.* a structure for the reception and habitation of bees, either built by people or made by the bees themselves; a place swarming people
192. a ri__y enterprise *adj.* involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
193. ho_____ic education *adj.* relating to or dealing with the whole of something rather than just its parts
194. fr_____ne health workers *adj.* in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
195. the longstanding co_____ct *n.* a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
196. flexible pl_____d *n.* a strong, flexible, and lightweight engineered wood made of thin layers of wood veneer that have been glued together at alternating, perpendicular angles

ANSWERS: 186. compassionate, 187. magnificent, 188. forefront, 189. plain, 190. infrasonic, 191. hive, 192. risky, 193. holistic, 194. frontline, 195. conflict, 196. plywood

197. su____ly attacked by an enemy *adv.* quickly and unexpectedly
198. ut____y ignorant *adv.* completely or absolutely
199. vi__l for a healthy society *adj.* necessary for the success or continued existence of something
200. he confessed dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
201. ruled by a ma_____ch *n.* a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group
202. er__e trust *v.* to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time
203. the tr__k of the body *n.* the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
204. liv_____od assistance *n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
205. sc__e the birds away *v.* to frighten a person or animal, or to become frightened
206. the average life s__n *n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
207. he____n on earth *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty

ANSWERS: 197. suddenly, 198. utterly, 199. vital, 200. dramatically, 201. matriarch, 202. erode, 203. trunk, 204. livelihood, 205. scare, 206. span, 207. heaven

208. design to ____x *n.* a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment
209. j_t far out into the lake *v.* to extend out, up, or forward prominently or abruptly; to stick out or protrude
210. future in ___w *n.* a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
211. ve _____ze thoughts *v.* to articulate or express verbally; to put something into words or speech; to speak out loud
212. ru ___e an order *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
213. air co _____or *n.* a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure
214. pr _____ss work of art *adj.* extremely valuable or important
215. the fo _____nt of an air mass *n.* the leading or most important position or place; the forefront of a movement or cause
216. att _____ve opportunity *adj.* immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
217. a fishing p__e *n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something

ANSWERS: 208. toolbox, 209. jut, 210. in-law, 211. verbalize, 212. rumble, 213. corridor, 214. priceless, 215. forefront, 216. attractive, 217. pole

218. a low-pi__hed sound *n.* the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something
219. the runner's p__e *n.* the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
220. fa____nd acreage *n.* land used for farming or agricultural purposes
221. in a_e of the situation *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
222. series of exp_____nts *n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
223. cutting-edge inn_____on *n.* the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
224. v__t desert *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
225. tr_____r a biochemical response *v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function
226. 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

ANSWERS: 218. pitch, 219. pace, 220. farmland, 221. awe, 222. experiment, 223. innovation, 224. vast, 225. trigger, 226. process

237. po__h on his land
v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
238. r__m the countryside
v. to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
239. the tr__k of the tree
n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow
240. a ha____y of colors
n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
241. co_____e fiercely
v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
242. am_____g advances
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
243. break a ha____y
n. the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
244. phe_____al growth
adj. extremely good or impressive; outstanding
245. play a vi__l role
adj. necessary for the success or continued existence of something
246. meeting in___ws
n. a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
247. a peaceful la_____pe
n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance

ANSWERS: 237. poach, 238. roam, 239. trunk, 240. harmony, 241. compete, 242. amazing, 243. harmony, 244. phenomenal, 245. vital, 246. in-law, 247. landscape

248. bo__t the economy *v.* to improve, raise, or increase something
249. soothing b__m *n.* a soothing substance or treatment used to alleviate pain or discomfort often applied to the skin; a comforting influence or alleviation for grief or distress
250. at____t attention *v.* to draw or entice someone or something towards them through the qualities they have, especially positive ones
251. te__e the children *v.* to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing
252. em____y for patients *n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation
253. ascend to he____n *n.* (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
254. ma____e stars *adj.* enormous amount; very heavy and solid
255. po____y alleviation *n.* the condition of being extremely poor
256. re____e a prisoner *v.* to set free or allow to escape from confinement

ANSWERS: 248. boost, 249. balm, 250. attract, 251. tease, 252. empathy, 253. heaven, 254. massive, 255. poverty, 256. release

257. re____t deeper into their territory *n.* the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life
258. a wa___y fluid *adj.* full of or containing water; wet
259. ru___e down the dirt track *v.* to make a low, heavy continuous sound
260. a b__d design *adj.* brave, daring, and confident; not frightened of danger or afraid to say what you feel or to take risks
261. st_____ht for two months *adj.* extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations
262. the b__z of a cicada *v.* to make a continuous, low humming sound such as the one bee makes; an exciting and active atmosphere
263. across a f__d *n.* a shallow place in a river or stream where it is possible to walk or drive across
264. mic_____ne cable *n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
265. pl__n answer *adj.* without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees
266. 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
267. ins_____ely grabbed the knife *adv.* as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training

ANSWERS: 257. retreat, 258. watery, 259. rumble, 260. bold, 261. straight, 262. buzz, 263. ford, 264. microphone, 265. plain, 266. bold, 267. instinctively

268. on____g support *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
269. f__e abroad *v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger
270. v__t majority *adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity
271. plant a co____y *n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
272. ho____ic condition *adj.* causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
273. a sexual u__e *v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist
274. the yi__d on the bond *n.* the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
275. phe____al success *adj.* extremely good or impressive; outstanding
276. fire st__k *v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
277. di____e the cake into two pieces *v.* to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
278. ch__i sauce *n.* a small hot-tasting fruit of a type of pepper plant used in sauces, relishes, and spice powders; a spicy stew made from ground beef and beans, typically seasoned with chili peppers

ANSWERS: 268. ongoing, 269. flee, 270. vast, 271. colony, 272. horrific, 273. urge, 274. yield, 275. phenomenal, 276. stick, 277. divide, 278. chili

279. qu_____le the price of gold *v.* to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many
280. 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
281. in_____ct directly with customers *v.* to communicate or react with somebody
282. bird's n__t *n.* a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
283. re_____e the right *v.* to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
284. com_____ate leave *adj.* feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
285. te__e wool *v.* to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing
286. an int_____nce test *n.* the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
287. ma_____ch figure *n.* a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group
288. w__n a reckless driver *v.* to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future

ANSWERS: 279. quadruple, 280. planet, 281. interact, 282. nest, 283. reserve, 284. compassionate, 285. tease, 286. intelligence, 287. matriarch, 288. warn

289. sa____ah region *n.* a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close
290. st__g me on the arm *v.* to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick
291. the g_p between ideal and reality *n.* a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.
292. the cabin pressure fell dra_____lly *adv.* in a very impressive manner
293. we__e on a loom *v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
294. local be_____er *n.* a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops
295. b__z marketing *v.* to make a continuous, low humming sound such as the one bee makes; an exciting and active atmosphere
296. still on____g *adj.* continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
297. disturb a be_____e *n.* a structure or container where bees live and store their honey
298. sa___i park *n.* an expedition, usually with a guide, for viewing or hunting wild animals, especially in Africa
299. mi_____e a service *v.* to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally

ANSWERS: 289. savannah, 290. sting, 291. gap, 292. dramatically, 293. weave, 294. beekeeper, 295. buzz, 296. ongoing, 297. beehive, 298. safari, 299. migrate

300. pa_____rm habitat *n.* a type of large mammal with thick skin, such as an elephant, rhinoceros, or hippopotamus
301. zo_____y book *n.* the scientific study of animals, including their classification, habits, behavior, physiology, and evolution
302. to sp__e *n.* a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something
303. a feeling of a_e *n.* a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired
304. re_____on strategy *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
305. c__p herbicide *n.* a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food
306. cognitive com_____ty *n.* the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
307. b_d grafting *n.* a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
308. a gradual re_____on *n.* a decrease in size, amount, or degree
309. the textile we_____rs *n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth
310. develop a ho_____ic vision *adj.* relating to or dealing with the whole of something rather than just its parts
311. di_____ve question *adj.* tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people
312. human activities int_____ect with the environment *v.* to connect similar things

ANSWERS: 300. pachyderm, 301. zoology, 302. spike, 303. awe, 304. reduction, 305. crop, 306. complexity, 307. bud, 308. reduction, 309. weaver, 310. holistic, 311. divisive, 312. interconnect

313. j_t his chin out *v.* to extend out, up, or forward prominently or abruptly; to stick out or protrude
314. change ri__y behavior *adj.* involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
315. a brushwood fe__e *n.* a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
316. trees and b__hes *n.* a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
317. a seafaring na___n *n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture
318. suppress di____ve arguments *adj.* tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people
319. qu_____le the amount *v.* to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many
320. par_____te fully in conversation *v.* to take part in something

ANSWERS: 313. jut, 314. risky, 315. fence, 316. bush, 317. nation, 318. divisive, 319. quadruple, 320. participate

Session 3: Fill in the Blanks

1. Bees were buzzing around the _____.
n. a structure for the reception and habitation of bees, either built by people or made by the bees themselves; a place swarming people
2. The ongoing budget cuts have _____ the quality of education in many schools.
v. to gradually wear away or break down (rock, soil, or other material) through the action of wind, water, or other natural agents; to gradually weaken or undermine (something) over time
3. The new prime minister has vowed to take measures against the _____ economic crisis.
adj. continuing to exist or develop, or currently happening
4. His stock earnings _____.
v. to consist of four items or people; to become four times as great or many
5. She's studying _____ at university and hopes to work at a zoo someday.
n. the scientific study of animals, including their classification, habits, behavior, physiology, and evolution
6. You can easily _____ seats over the telephone.
v. to keep something for future use or contingency; to obtain or arrange something, such as a meeting, seat, etc., in advance
7. Many people go on a _____ to recharge and reconnect with themselves.
n. the act of moving back or withdrawing from a position or situation; a period of rest or relaxation away from work or everyday life

ANSWERS: 1. hive, 2. eroded, 3. ongoing, 4. quadrupled, 5. zoology, 6. reserve, 7. retreat

8. Human _____ responses vary widely depending on the society to which they belong.
adj. relating to people's feelings
9. I added fresh _____ to the stir-fry to add a little extra zing.
n. a plant (*Zingiber officinale*) that is widely cultivated for its aromatic underground stem (rhizome), which is used as a spice, especially in Asian cooking
10. I am going to trim this _____ off.
n. a plant growing thickly with many small branches and several stiff stems coming up from the root
11. I attempted to _____ him, but he ignored me.
v. to make someone aware of potential danger or difficulty, particularly one that may occur in the future
12. He and I often had _____ not only in personality but also in ideology.
n. a strong disagreement, argument, or a violent clash between two opposing groups or individuals
13. Recent electoral shocks have shaken the political _____ in Europe.
n. an expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view; a large area of land, especially in the country and relating to its appearance
14. I heard the _____ of conversation from the next room.
v. to make a continuous, low humming sound such as the one bee makes; an exciting and active atmosphere
15. Her voice gradually increased in _____.
n. the property of sound that varies with variation in the frequency of vibration; the degree of a slope, especially of a roof; short presentation for selling or sharing something

ANSWERS: 8. emotional, 9. ginger, 10. bush, 11. warn, 12. conflicts, 13. landscape, 14. buzz, 15. pitch

16. The beekeeper checked the _____ for any signs of disease.
n. a structure or container where bees live and store their honey
17. Our system can now _____ with other databases.
v. to connect similar things
18. In terms of _____ he was head and shoulders above his classmates.
n. the ability to learn, comprehend, or make judgments or conclusions based on reasons
19. He won an award for that short _____.
n. a film or a radio or television program that gives facts and information about a subject; of or derived from official documents
20. The archaeologist carefully pieced together the tiny _____ of pottery found at the dig site.
n. a small piece or part broken off or detached
21. The ____ of the swamp made it difficult to walk through the field.
n. a soft, wet, sticky earth or clay
22. The chef _____ the eggs perfectly for the benedict breakfast dish.
v. to illegally hunt, fish, or take wildlife from private or protected land or waters without permission; to cook food by gently simmering it in a liquid, often with added spices or seasonings
23. Many people are working together to close the gender ____.
n. a conspicuous disparity or difference separates something such as a figure, people, their opinions, situation, etc.

ANSWERS: 16. beehive, 17. interconnect, 18. intelligence, 19. documentary, 20. fragments, 21. mud, 22. poached, 23. gap

24. Many studies have investigated the relationship between _____ and academic achievement.
- n.* the condition of being extremely poor
25. He should _____ more with his colleagues.
- v.* to communicate or react with somebody
26. The _____ of severe weather prompted the city to issue an evacuation warning.
- n.* a strong indication or likelihood of harm, danger, or adverse consequences; an expression of intent to inflict harm or injury on someone or something, often made as a means of coercion or intimidation
27. We worked in perfect _____.
- n.* the combination of simultaneous musical notes to produce a pleasing effect; an attractive combination of related things and their properties
28. His _____ showed highly positive results.
- n.* the scientific test conducted to observe what happens and gain new knowledge
29. It is extremely _____ to sail in such a storm.
- adj.* involving the possibility of danger, failure, or loss
30. I love to _____ around the city and discover new neighborhoods.
- v.* to move about or travel aimlessly or without a fixed destination; to wander
31. Education is at the _____ of our society's priorities for ensuring a better future.
- n.* the leading or most important position or place; the forefront of a movement or cause

ANSWERS: 24. poverty, 25. interact, 26. threat, 27. harmony, 28. experiments, 29. risky, 30. roam, 31. forefront

32. Marine _____ populations are declining worldwide due to ocean pollution.
n. any animal of which the female gives birth to live young, not eggs, and feeds her young on milk from her own body
33. The ventriloquist's _____ was incredibly lifelike and entertaining.
n. a model or imitation of something that is used as a substitute; a person who is perceived as lacking intelligence or acting foolishly
34. The company's stock gives a high _____.
n. the total output of crops, profits, etc. that are produced; (verb) to produce or supply helpful something, such as a profit, an amount of food, or information
35. Sometimes it isn't easy to _____ exactly how we feel.
v. to articulate or express verbally; to put something into words or speech; to speak out loud
36. Tourists frequently _____ the island's delicate natural balance.
v. to interrupt someone who is trying to work, sleep, etc.
37. The accident scene was _____ with bodies and debris scattered everywhere.
adj. causing horror or disgust; gruesome and terrifying
38. The room was only one _____ wider than the piano, making it a tight fit.
n. a unit of measurement of length in the metric system, equivalent to one-hundredth of a meter
39. The _____ mountains dominate the landscape.
n. a feeling of respect and wonder inspired by someone or something greatly admired

ANSWERS: 32. mammal, 33. dummy, 34. yield, 35. verbalize, 36. disturb, 37. horrific, 38. centimeter, 39. awe-inspiring

40. She planted a hedge to serve as a natural _____ around her garden.
n. a structure, usually made of wood or metal, that encloses an area, typically for protection or to keep animals or people in or out; a dealer in stolen property
41. Can you _____ 123321 by eleven?
v. to separate or cause to separate into parts or groups
42. The little girl lived in a small ____ in the woods with her family.
n. a small, simple, and often crude shelter or dwelling, typically made of natural materials such as wood or mud
43. Life expectancy has grown _____ this century.
adv. in a very impressive manner
44. The project's _____ made it difficult for the team to complete it on time.
n. the state or quality of being complicated or intricate and difficult to understand
45. Doctors are gradually coming around to the idea of using _____ medicines.
n. one of two or more available possibilities or choice
46. 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
47. The new service helped _____ net income by 10%.
v. to improve, raise, or increase something
48. The _____ in carbon emissions has been significant since the implementation of the new policy.
n. a decrease in size, amount, or degree

ANSWERS: 40. fence, 41. divide, 42. hut, 43. dramatically, 44. complexity, 45. alternative, 46. bold, 47. boost, 48. reduction

49. The _____ birds flew thousands of miles to reach their wintering grounds.
adj. relating to or characterized by the movement of individuals or groups from one place to another, often for regular seasonal or environmental reasons
50. The economy is growing at a supercharged _____.
n. the speed at which someone or something moves, or the rate at which something happens or changes
51. You must _____ with others to obtain this position.
v. to strive to achieve more success than someone or something
52. A growing _____ requires a bold leader.
n. a business or company; a purposeful or industrious undertaking, especially one that requires effort
53. My neighbor is a professional _____ who sells honey at the local farmers' market.
n. a person who keeps bees, either for their honey or to pollinate crops
54. The vegetarian burger was an _____ that quickly spread to the United Kingdom.
n. the creation of a new device or process resulting from study and experimentation
55. The majority of students actively _____ in the college's intramural sports program.
v. to take part in something
56. Investigators discovered _____ documents throughout the house.
adj. extremely valuable or important

ANSWERS: 49. migratory, 50. pace, 51. compete, 52. enterprise, 53. beekeeper, 54. innovation, 55. participated, 56. priceless

57. During transit, the stuff may ____ off the luggage tag.

v. to tear something or be torn violently or suddenly

58. The recent economic downturn has resulted in _____ layoffs.

adj. enormous amount; very heavy and solid

59. The long _____ was filled with people rushing to get to their rooms before the meeting began.

n. a hallway or passageway, especially one connecting rooms or areas within a building or structure

60. _____ waves can be used for communication, such as in long-range submarines.

adj. relating to sound waves below the range of human hearing, typically below 20 Hz

61. The athlete's _____ performance broke all previous records.

adj. extremely good or impressive; outstanding

62. Some researchers claim that even humans can _____ sense earthquakes.

adv. as a matter of nature or intuition rather than thought or training

63. How did he ____ to your idea?

v. to take action in response to something

64. The thunder _____ in the distance.

v. to make a low, heavy continuous sound

ANSWERS: 57. rip, 58. massive, 59. corridor, 60. Infrasonic, 61. phenomenal, 62. instinctively, 63. react, 64. rumbled

65. The proposed policy has been met with _____ reactions from the public.
adj. tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people
66. My father has a serious and _____ personality.
adj. feeling or showing sympathy and concern for the suffering or bad luck of others
67. A _____ of angry bees attacked because we had approached the hive.
n. a group of many things, such as insects, fishes, etc., in the air or water or on the ground
68. Manufacturing companies use large sheets of _____ to make furniture and fixtures.
n. a strong, flexible, and lightweight engineered wood made of thin layers of wood veneer that have been glued together at alternating, perpendicular angles
69. The female birds build a _____ and lay their eggs in May.
n. a structure in which animals lay their eggs or give birth to their young
70. _____ elections were held in several European countries.
adj. belonging to or used by a group rather than individuals; for common use
71. He felt like _____ when he tasted the delicious chocolate cake.
n. (of various religious and mythological traditions) a place or state of existence considered to be the abode of the divine, the afterlife, or a higher realm of being; a state of great happiness, contentment, or beauty
72. Perseverance and optimism are _____ to success.
adj. necessary for the success or continued existence of something

ANSWERS: 65. divisive, 66. compassionate, 67. swarm, 68. plywood, 69. nest, 70. Communal, 71. heaven, 72. vital

73. I'm _____ of insects.

adj. afraid or frightened

74. Destructive fungi thrive in moist environments, such as those seen in wounds on the _____.

n. the main stem or body of a tree which its branches grow

75. Farmers often reserve _____ for the newborn calf, as it contains important nutrients and antibodies.

n. (also known as "colostrum") the first milk produced by a cow after giving birth, which is high in fat and protein; (plural form of "beesting") the sting or injury caused by a bee

76. Many _____ areas are still impoverished.

adj. of or relating to the countryside

77. Health and _____ are, above all, gold.

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

78. The soup was too _____ and needed more flavor.

adj. full of or containing water; wet

79. Dolphins use sound to _____ with each other.

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

80. The wealthy businessman left his entire _____ to his children when he died.

n. a large piece of land with an impressive house on it, often owned by a wealthy family; all of a person's possessions and assets at the time of their death; an area of land considered as a unit in terms of ownership, use or taxation

ANSWERS: 73. scared, 74. trunk, 75. beestings, 76. rural, 77. strength, 78. watery, 79. communicate, 80. estate

81. You _____ a bill in the change machine, and the coins pop out.
- v.* to put something, usually a sharp object, into something; to restrict yourself to doing or using one certain thing and not change; (noun) a thin piece of wood or other material
82. The farm covers over 200 _____ of land.
- n.* a unit of land area in the US Customary System and the British Imperial System, equal to 4,840 square yards (= 4,047 square meters)
83. The girl _____ a garland for her friend.
- v.* to make cloth, a carpet, a basket, etc., by repeatedly crossing a single thread through two sets of long threads at a right angle to them
84. The newborn _____ stood on wobbly legs, trying to find its mother's milk.
- n.* a young cow, bull, or other domestic bovine animals
85. I could no longer earn my own _____.
- n.* a means of earning money people need to pay for food, a place to live, clothing, etc.
86. The doctor advised him to _____ down for a check.
- v.* to remove the surface from something; (noun) a sizeable narrow piece of something such as paper, metal, cloth, etc., or area of land, sea, etc.
87. The interviewer asked him to speak into the _____.
- n.* a device that converts sound into an electrical signal used for recording sounds or making the voice louder
88. The recent _____ in grain prices is partly due to the war in the producing countries.
- n.* a narrow, thin, pointed piece of metal, wood, etc.; a sudden large increase in the magnitude or concentration of something

ANSWERS: 81. stick, 82. acres, 83. weaves, 84. calf, 85. livelihood, 86. strip, 87. microphone, 88. spike

89. 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

90. The lobbyist _____ Congress not to approve the measure.

- v.* to spur on or encourage someone, especially by cheers and shouts; (noun) a strong desire or impulse, especially one that is difficult to control or resist

91. The _____ spoken in the region differed from other parts of the country.

- n.* a form of a language that is spoken in a particular geographical area or by a particular group of people and has distinguishing characteristics

92. The _____ of the tree had fallen and blocked the road.

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

93. The African savanna is home to many magnificent _____ including elephants and rhinos.

- n.* a type of large mammal with thick skin, such as an elephant, rhinoceros, or hippopotamus

94. This ad is intended to _____ a competing product.

- v.* to make fun of someone or make jokes about them, either in a playful way or to upset them; to separate the fibers of something; to ruffle a person's or animal's hair by combing

95. The _____ fringed the scarf.

- n.* the craftsman whose job is weaving cloth

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

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

ANSWERS: 89. trap, 90. urged, 91. dialect, 92. branch, 93. pachyderms, 94. tease, 95. weaver, 96. scare

97. The flower was starting to show its ____ and would soon bloom into a beautiful blossom.
n. a small swelling on a plant stem or twig containing an undeveloped shoot
98. Our knowledge helps _____ our clients successfully.
v. to plan and direct the way that a ship, plane, etc. will travel, often by using a map
99. The _____ scene of the glacier is awe-inspiring.
adj. extremely beautiful and impressive; grand or noble in thought or deed
100. The growth of the "sharing economy" is _____ for tech companies.
adj. immensely appealing in look or sound; having characteristics or qualities that make something appealing and valuable
101. The school's diversity program aimed to promote _____ and understanding among the students.
n. the willingness to accept or tolerate something, especially something that is different or unpleasant
102. Who answers _____ knows little.
adv. quickly and unexpectedly
103. The _____ seeds can be roasted and eaten as a snack.
n. a plant with large, round flower heads that have bright yellow petals and a dark center, grown for its edible seeds and oil, as well as for decorative purposes
104. Her research team made an important _____.
n. the act or process of finding information, a place, or an object, or learning about something that was previously not known

ANSWERS: 97. bud, 98. navigate, 99. magnificent, 100. attractive, 101. tolerance, 102. suddenly, 103. sunflower, 104. discovery

105. I love making a big pot of _____ on a cold winter day.

- n.* a small hot-tasting fruit of a type of pepper plant used in sauces, relishes, and spice powders; a spicy stew made from ground beef and beans, typically seasoned with chili peppers

106. The perfume industry often uses synthetic _____ to enhance their products' appeal.

- n.* a chemical substance produced by an animal that is secreted into the environment and that affects the behavior or physiology of others of its species

107. You should always keep a basic _____ in your car in case of an emergency.

- n.* a container or storage unit for tools, typically characterized by a handle and one or more compartments for organizing and storing various tools and equipment

108. The incident _____ a political controversy.

- v.* to make something happen suddenly; to cause something such as a device, machine, etc. to function

109. 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

110. 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

111. Throughout the _____ the bank robbers wore masks.

- n.* a sudden short attack, usually by soldiers, ships, or aircraft

ANSWERS: 105. chili, 106. pheromones, 107. toolbox, 108. triggered, 109. ford, 110. develop, 111. raid,

112. The intricate carvings on the _____ tusk were a work of art.
- n.* a hard, creamy-white substance that comes from the tusks of elephants, walruses, and some other animals and is used to make ornaments and other decorative items
113. Schools should _____ children's mutual interest spirit.
- v.* to take care of, feed, and protect someone or something while they are growing and developing
114. He slightly modified the _____ of training because it was just before a match.
- n.* the entire length of something, such as time or space from beginning to end; the amount of space that something covers
115. The baby _____ 1 pound 3 oz.
- v.* to have a particular weight; to carefully evaluate things before making a conclusion
116. The economic stimulation program would _____ a lot of new jobs.
- v.* to produce or create something; to make offspring by reproduction
117. The North _____ is the northernmost point on Earth.
- n.* one of two antipodal points where the Earth's axis of rotation intersects the Earth's surface; a long, slender, rounded rod, typically of wood or metal, used as a support or to hang something
118. The _____ declared its independence and became a republic.
- n.* a country or an area that is governed by a more powerful country that is often far away
119. Without bees to _____ the flowers, many crops would not exist.
- v.* to transfer pollen from the male part of a flower to the female part, thereby fertilizing the plant and allowing it to produce fruit or seeds; to spread or disseminate an idea or influence to others

ANSWERS: 112. ivory, 113. nurture, 114. span, 115. weighs, 116. generate, 117. Pole, 118. colony, 119. pollinate

120. 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

121. The _____ stance on immigration was met with criticism from many quarters.

adj. firm and uncompromising; very strict or severe

122. This company _____ its battery problem completely.

v. to find a suitable answer to the problems or difficulty

123. We are _____ opposed to any form of terrorism.

adv. completely or absolutely

124. Necessity is the mother of _____.

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

125. Sow early for an early _____.

n. a plant that is cultivated in large amounts, particularly for food

126. He wandered the _____ between life and death by gunfire.

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

127. He was sick for five _____ days.

adj. extending or moving in one direction without bending or curving; having no deviations

ANSWERS: 120. process, 121. hardline, 122. resolves, 123. utterly, 124. invention, 125. crop, 126. boundary, 127. straight

128. 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

129. The government is eager to _____ international investment.

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

130. The _____ of Japan is known for its unique culture and advanced technology.

- n.* a large organized community of people living in a particular country or region and having a particular culture

131. It is a basic instinct to _____ from a dangerous situation.

- v.* to leave by running away, especially out of fear or danger

132. It would be best not to _____ your associates into doing complex tasks.

- v.* to frighten someone very much

133. A _____ audience viewed the broadcast.

- adj.* enormous in size, number, amount, or quantity

134. _____ the ceremony was held outdoors.

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

135. The _____ of the family was known for her wisdom and guidance.

- n.* a woman who is the head of a family or social group; a woman who is the founder or dominant member of a group

136. Bees _____ as a defense mechanism when they feel threatened.

- v.* to cause a sharp, painful sensation or injury with a poison, venom, or other substance or by a physical action such as a bite or prick

ANSWERS: 128. planet, 129. attract, 130. nation, 131. flee, 132. terrify, 133. vast, 134. Traditionally, 135. matriarch, 136. sting

137. Bees are important _____ for many crops and plants.

- n.* an animal or insect, such as bees, butterflies, birds, etc., that carries pollen from a male part of a flower to a female part of a flower, fertilizing it and allowing it to produce seeds

138. _____ is also necessary to understand history.

- n.* the ability to share another person's feelings or experiences by imagining that person's situation

139. The _____ approach to healthcare considers the person's physical, mental, and emotional well-being.

- adj.* relating to or dealing with the whole of something rather than just its parts

140. 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

141. Aloe vera is a natural _____ often used to treat burns and rashes.

- n.* a soothing substance or treatment used to alleviate pain or discomfort often applied to the skin; a comforting influence or alleviation for grief or distress

142. Going on a _____ to see wild animals up close is a unique experience.

- n.* an expedition, usually with a guide, for viewing or hunting wild animals, especially in Africa

143. The rocky cliff _____ out of the ground, making climbing difficult.

- v.* to extend out, up, or forward prominently or abruptly; to stick out or protrude

144. The plants in this garden are precious, so you must not _____ them.

- v.* to step heavily on something or someone, causing damage or injury

ANSWERS: 137. pollinators, 138. Empathy, 139. holistic, 140. novel, 141. balm, 142. safari, 143. jutted, 144. trample

145. Infants and pregnant women are particularly _____.
adj. capable of being hurt or influenced physically or mentally
146. The _____ process is crucial for the growth and reproduction of many plants.
n. the transfer of pollen from the male reproductive organs of one flower to the female reproductive organs of another flower, resulting in fertilization and the production of seeds
147. The animal rights group worked to _____ the dolphins back into the wild.
v. to set free or allow to escape from confinement
148. He _____ the light switch, and the room was illuminated.
v. to make a sudden sharp movement or hit something quickly with a sharp movement
149. The golfer recorded an _____ distance.
adj. extremely surprising, especially in a way that you like or admire
150. My sister-in-law _____ is a pediatrician who works in a children's hospital.
n. a relative by marriage, such as a mother-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law
151. Within days, the new aircraft was in _____ service.
adj. in the most critical or dangerous position; in the military line or part of an army closest to the enemy
152. The different species can _____ in the same ecosystem by filling different niches and using different resources.
v. to live or exist together at the same time in the same place

ANSWERS: 145. vulnerable, 146. pollination, 147. release, 148. flicked, 149. amazing, 150. in-law, 151. frontline, 152. coexist

153. The lowest lowland region is mostly flat _____.

adj. without being decorated in any way; (Noun) a vast expanse of flat land with few trees

154. The office's _____ network allows employees to work from anywhere in the building.

adj. of or relating a connection or communication that does not require a physical wire or cable, often through the use of radio waves or electromagnetic signals

155. Before authorities _____ the protesters, they yelled slogans.

v. to spread out or distribute over a broad region, or to cause something to do so

156. The government is encouraging farmers to expand their _____ to increase food production.

n. land used for farming or agricultural purposes

157. The birds live in tropical forests, _____ and arid semi-desert environments.

n. a mixed forest and grassland ecosystem where the trees are far enough apart that the canopy doesn't close

158. After the party, they had to clean up _____ of dirty dishes.

n. a collection of objects positioned one on top of another; a large sum of something, such as money

159. He _____ hypotheses that no mathematician has ever imagined before.

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

160. Many Germans _____ to South America in the mid-19th century.

v. to move from one country or region to another and settle there; to move from one place to another periodically or seasonally

ANSWERS: 153. plain, 154. wireless, 155. dispersed, 156. farmland, 157. savannahs, 158. piles, 159. constructs, 160. migrated

ANSWERS: